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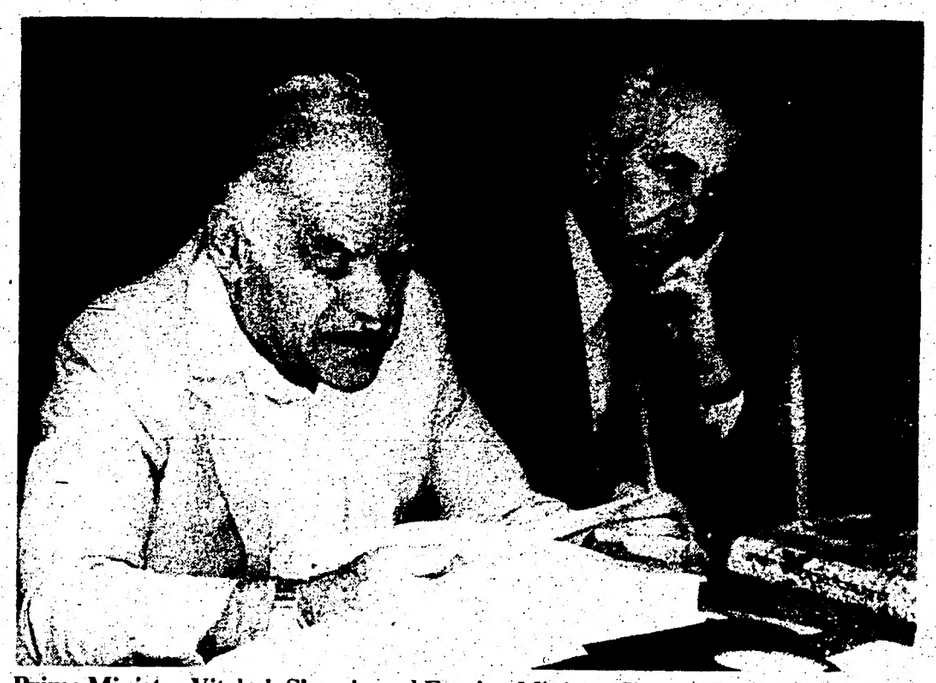

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres remain embroiled in a bitter dispute over an international peace conference on the Middle East. [IPPA photo]

"A good beginning"

Soviets meet Israelis

JERUSALEM (JTA) — A Soviet consular delegation met briefly with foreign ministry officials here last week, insisting the visit to Israel, the first in 20 years by an official Soviet group, was technical and without political significance.

Yaacov Aviad, head of the foreign ministry's consular division, the senior Israeli to meet with the visitors from Moscow, described their discussion as "extremely positive" and "a good beginning."

Aviad declined to respond to suggestions by reporters that the 3-man Soviet mission, accompanied by staff, seemed too large for the stated purpose of their visit — to review the status of Soviet nationals and Soviet property in Israel.

The leader of the Soviet delegation, Yevgeny Antipov, who heads the consular department of the Soviet foreign ministry, showed no disinclination to speak to Israeli reporters and was in fact interviewed on the Army Radio.

The Army Radio opens its daily news program with greetings by a prominent personality. On Tuesday morning, it was Antipov who delivered a cheerful "Good morning, Israel" in Hebrew.

After his meeting at the foreign ministry, Antipov told reporters a reciprocal visit to Moscow by an Israeli delegation was excluded because there are no Israeli nationals or Israeli property in the USSR.

Antipov scolded Israel for extending citizenship to Soviet Jews who seek to emigrate.

He said it was a violation of Soviet law, which does not permit dual citizenship.

A group of Soviet immigrants demonstrated outside the foreign ministry while the meeting with the Soviet delegation was taking place. Among them was Ilana Fridman, sister of longtime Refusenik Ida Nudel, and Yosef Mendelevich, chairman of the Jerusalem-based Soviet Jewry Information Center.

Meanwhile, in Moscow, the Soviet Union again announced that it will not permit an official Israeli visit in return for the current tour of Israel by a Soviet consular delegation.

"We see no grounds for a reciprocal Israeli visit," Boris Pyadyshev of the foreign ministry's information directorate told a news briefing.

"There are no permanent Israeli residents in the Soviet Union, and there is no Israeli property here.

"Any claims by the Israeli leadership with regard to certain rights in the Soviet Union are absolutely baseless and indeed of a provocative nature," Pyadyshev said.

Reacting to the Soviet declarations from Moscow, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said that they did not prove anything.

The Prime Minister cautioned against inflating the importance of the current consular group.

Shamir: peace parley "an idea of suicide"

By JPFS and JTA

JERUSALEM — **Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has launched one of his fiercest attacks so far on the Labor Party's proposals for an international conference, saying it was "an idea of suicide and surrender" which had undermined Arab acceptance of Israel and killed chances for peace.**

"Israel will not sacrifice itself at the altar," the Prime Minister told delegates of the Herut central committee in Jerusalem. "No Arab leader ever dreamed that Israel itself would offer its neck for its destruction as a state.

"Those who have an overpowering urge to curry favor and to elicit compliments, even from hostile elements, have raised the flag of surrender," said Shamir. "What is happening lately is beyond imagination: a political camp among us gets up and tells both our friends and enemies that 'we are sick and tired of Judea and Samaria and wish to return to our limited area,' which we have almost forgotten."

The Herut delegates applauded Shamir's statement that "as long as the Likud is in the government there will be no international conference," but were even more enthusiastic about calls to dismiss Foreign Minister Shimon Peres from the cabinet, voiced by Deputy Prime Minister David Levy and Trade and Industry Minister Ariel Sharon.

Sharon said that Peres's promotion of the idea of an international conference had brought about many negative developments in the Middle East, including the rapprochements between Syria and Jordan and Syria and Iraq.

Repeating his call for direct negotiations under United States auspices, Shamir said that if Jordan is not ready for such talks, interim agreement on such matters as water, the Dead Sea and tourism could be concluded.

The dissolution of the Knesset and the holding of new elections at this time is meant to "expose Israel to one of the most terrible dangers it has ever faced," said the Prime Minister.

He called on all the "national parties" — meaning Tehiya, which has threatened to vote for early elections — to "unite and form a common front to avert the danger by preventing the Knesset's dissolution."

Herut's foremost task is to avoid early elections, said Shamir, but if there is no alternative he is sure that the people will elect a "national government."

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Meanwhile, in Copenhagen, the foreign ministers of the 12 European Economic Community (EEC) member states have affirmed their support of an international conference for Middle East peace as the only formula at present to advance the peace process in the region.

The ministers were attending the European Political Cooperation conference here. Denmark assumed the rotating presidency of the EEC Council of Ministers on July 1.

The ministers recalled the positive response to the declaration of last Feb. 23 endorsing the idea of an international conference. They expressed hope that conditions favorable to such a gathering can be established rapidly by agreement between the parties to it.

The EEC ministers said they have closely followed developments in the region and decided to pursue, bilaterally and through the council presidency, contacts on all levels and with all interested parties in search of a comprehensive, lasting settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

They reaffirmed that this included a settlement of the Palestinian problem, in accordance with the EEC's June 1980 Venice Declaration. That document stated that the Palestine Liberation Organization must be a participant in the peace process.

In another development, the EEC announced it will resume high-level diplomatic relations with Syria, suspended last November after the Syrian embassy in London was linked to a terrorist attempt to blow up an Israeli airliner in London.

The decision was taken by the foreign ministers of the 12 EEC member states. But other EEC-imposed sanctions against Syria will remain in effect for the time being.

These include an embargo on arms deliveries, freezing of EEC aid and surveillance of Syrian diplomatic activities and Syrian airlines.

The EEC gesture toward Damascus was seen as an expression of approval of Syrian moves to distance itself from international terrorism such as the closure of the offices of the Abu Nidal terrorist group in Damascus, and Syrian help to gain the release of Western hostages held in Lebanon.

According to diplomatic observers, the EEC's move toward rapprochement with Syria coincides with the renewal of high level U.S.-Syrian contacts.

In a separate development, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and King Hussein of Jordan agreed that an international conference was the best way to advance the peace process.

Thatcher and Hussein discussed the matter at a 2-hour luncheon meeting in London. Officials said they "stressed the importance of not missing the opportunity to take a major step forward in the peace process."

Their talks followed a visit here four weeks ago by Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, who was soliciting the support of Western European leaders for an international Middle East peace conference under United Nations auspices.

7 nations agree war crimes file should be open

NEW YORK (JTA) — Israeli diplomats here told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that they expect all of the former members of the United Nations War Crimes Commission will support Israel's request for opening to the public the UN files on Nazi war criminals.

Only four countries out of the 17-member commission still oppose the opening of the files. They are Czechoslovakia, France, India and Poland. "We have reason to believe that these countries will soon announce that they have changed their position in favor of opening of the files," an Israeli diplomat said.

Asked how long "soon" meant, he said a matter of months.

Last week seven nations — Canada, Britain, Belgium, China, Luxembourg, New Zealand, and Norway — informed Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar that they changed their initial position and would join six other nations that have already come out publicly in support of opening the files to public inspection. The seven nations joined Australia, Denmark, Greece, Holland, the U.S. and Yugoslavia.

The announcement represented a victory for Israel and followed a major campaign on the part of the Israelis to win the support of the governments concerned on behalf of opening the files. When Israel started its campaign last year, only Australia supported its request to grant the public free access to the files.

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This edition of the Canadian Jewish News went to press several days earlier, on July 17, due to our vacation schedule. Our next issue will be dated Aug. 13.

Yordim flood Diaspora

TEL AVIV (JTA) — **The total number of Israelis who have emigrated abroad is 380,000, according to a report by the Central Bureau of Statistics.**

According to the report, about 15,000 Israelis leave the country every year to live abroad. The bureau estimates that some 35,000 of the 100,000 yordim (emigrants) who left Israel in the past seven years are between the ages of 20 and 30.

Additional information about the yordim was disclosed at an education ministry-sponsored conference on the issue. Haifa University sociology Professor David Mittleburg reported that 45% of kibbutz youth who have immigrated in recent years are army officers, while 37% served in combat units.

He also said that 60% of the young kibbutz emigrants are married to non-Israelis, and 25% are married to non-Jews.

Summer madness

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Police and the transport ministry have blamed "summer madness" for the carnage on Israel's roads, and officials slammed the impatience and carelessness of the country's drivers.

Two more fatal accidents occurred last week, bringing the death toll on the roads in one week to 17, with more than 20 seriously injured.

"Our drivers are bad-tempered, careless and rude," said Police Minister Haim Bar-Lev.

"We don't have many drunken drivers, but we have a lot of drivers who are drunk with power and think they own the road," added Yehiel Amitai, adviser to Transport Minister Haim Corfu.

Amitai said that accident figures for the first six month of 1987 reflected a considerable increase in crashes and casualties. Last month, 42 people were killed, 23% more than were killed in June 1986. The total number of casualties was up from 10,310 for the first half of 1986, to 11,230 in 1987.

But even as the wreckage was being cleared away from the latest crashes, the transport ministry and the police were at odds over what should be done.

Both agreed that a massive investment must be made to improve Israel's roads, but they could not agree on the plan of action to be taken.

Oy vey, Blue Jay

By DAVID LAZARUS

TORONTO — A Jewish Blue Jay?

Absolutely. Eleven years after joining the majors, the Toronto Blue Jays have signed their first Jewish player.

New Yorker Allan Silverstein, a 19-year-old right-handed pitcher, is currently playing for the Class A St. Catharines Blue Jays in the New York-Penn League.

In his first start, Silverstein posted a victory with no earned runs in seven innings of relief.

In two appearances overall, the 5-foot, 10-inch, 165-pounder has allowed only one hit. The Jays picked Silverstein in the 31st round and 803rd over all in the amateur draft.

World-National

Zionist bright light remembered

By
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Back in the 1930s, after Hitler had come to power, Youth Aliyah and Hechalutz were two beacons of hope in our increasingly hopeless world. One facilitated the emigration of children to Palestine, the other helped grown-ups to become farmers, in preparation for settlement in Eretz Yisrael. Both organizations were sparked by a remarkable young man, Georg Josephstal, whom I came to know through my own Zionist work. Georg and I were the same age and we had the same ideal. Yet fate and circumstance moved us in different directions: he settled in Palestine as a farmer, and I went for rabbinical studies to the United States.

Rabbi Plaut

Georg became a founder of Kibbutz Gal-Ed, changed his first name to Giora and simplified his family name to Josephthal. He fought in the British army and afterwards became active in the Jewish Agency, rising to be its treasurer. As such he participated in reparations negotiations with West Germany, and then, as general secretary of the Labor party (Mapai), entered the political scene to become one of its brightest stars. He was elected to the Fourth Knesset and appointed minister of labor and afterwards minister of housing and development, assuming the vital task of helping the stream of new immigrants settle in and adjust to Israel.

Kin discovered

I saw him again in 1956 when we made our first family visit to Israel. He was married to Senta, a fellow founder of Kibbutz Gal-Ed who had preceded him as a member of the Knesset. We were still in our 40s, and more than once did I hear the prediction that Giora would some day be Prime Minister. He was universally admired and his future looked bright. Then suddenly he died, just 50 years old. A shining light had gone out.

All this came back to me on a Shabbat morning some weeks ago. My wife (who is a genealogist) had discovered that a member of our congregation was a niece of Giora's, and that morning, after services I would tell the niece that I had known her uncle well in Berlin a half century ago. At the kiddush I shared my memories with her. She turned to the woman next to her and said: "What a coincidence! This is Senta, Giora's widow, she's here on a visit."

Unsung hero dies

Senta is still a member of the kibbutz, one of that dwindling number of old-timers who made the kibbutz movement one of the most important cornerstones in the building of the land.

Another look at the past, this one quite different. I read recently that Elisabeth Paschakis had died in Toronto at age 96. She was one of the unsung heroes of the Second World War, who by her courage and self-sacrifice wrote a shining chapter into the dark pages of those days.

During the years 1941 to 1944 she helped 54 Jewish, Canadian and British prisoners escape from Nazi-occupied Greece. She hid 17 of them in her own home and the others in the homes of relatives and friends, and they all shared their meagre rations with the escapees. She was arrested and tortured, but never revealed her secret. She survived miraculously and when freed, was a mere bundle of skin and bones.

When the war was over, the British government offered Mrs. Paschakis the then enormous sum of a million dollars as a recognition of her remarkable contribution to the Allied war effort. She refused, and so did her children. Her daughter, who lives in Toronto, summed it all up when she said at the time of her mother's funeral: "She had great dignity. We did it for our country and for our fellow human beings."

WZO, Jewish Agency executive says:

Zionists adapting to new realities

AVRAHAM AVI-HAI, formerly of Toronto and currently a member of the World Zionist Organization and Jewish Agency executives, says the Zionist movement may be adapting to new realities.

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JERUSALEM (JPFS) — We have all become cynics. Whenever we complain about "the system," the response is a resigned: "What can you do?" The system seems immutable, and we all sound like Jewish Zen Bhuddists. Well, cynics, there can be change.

I recently witnessed it happen in two organizations that seemed totally impervious to change: the World Zionist Organization and the Jewish Agency.

And if it was possible there, it may even be possible to change the impossible political system of Israel.

At the recent Assembly and board meetings of the Jewish Agency, three inconceivable things happened.

• First, the lions lay down with the lambs. Depending on your religious tastes, you may choose which are the lions. The fact is that all three major religious movements — Orthodox, Conservative and Reform — signed what amounts to a non-aggression pact.

They issued a joint statement calling for "a lessening of tension between Jew and Jew." They appealed to members of the WZO to avoid confrontation and foster "a spirit of greater understanding and mutual respect."

• Secondly, the board of governors, consisting of WZO and fund raising representatives, agreed, after years of jockeying and negotiations, to choose department heads by merit and qualifications.

Groups sign pact

This weakens the party stranglehold on Agency portfolios. The details would look to the average reader like constitutional gobbledygook.

Suffice it to say that once the WZO elects its executives at the forthcoming Zionist Congress in December, the United States and Keren Hayesod leaderships will select which elected Zionist member has "the best qualifications" for each specific portfolio. These portfolios are the Aliya, Rural Settlement and Youth Aliyah departments.

The chairmanship of the Agency and the Treasury have always been open to the "advise and consent" procedure.

Now, the partners will be able to exercise much more influence. Their position is enhanced by the existence of the national unity government in Israel, which means that each of the two parties supposedly in power can now claim that its candidate is "government-backed."

In other words, each cancels the other out, and the "better" person may indeed win.

Present best people

Since all five executive roles (six, with Project Renewal) will be open to this process the parties will be forced to present their most capable people — or face the possible embarrassment of having their candidate rejected, or being assigned to a less important portfolio.

Some of the entrenched party leaders accepted this grudgingly, but nonetheless they accepted it because they did not want to break the partnership between the WZO and the fund raising organizations.

• Finally, the Assembly, representing WZO and Diaspora community leaders, agreed, in apparent unanimity, to have a "new agenda" of Agency priorities prepared and presented to the Assembly in a year's time.

This was the first time in decades that the Agency has been presented with such a document. Formulated by a Zionist Executive member, it was supported by an outstanding leader of the U.S. UIA-Federations contingent, Raymond Epstein, who has been chairman of the Agency's powerful budget and finance committee for the past four years.

This duality in sponsorship reaffirmed on the one hand the "Zionist" thrust of the Agency's work and, on the other, the shared "practical Zionism" of the leadership.

This ideological community of purpose was emphasized by the warm reception given to the resolution by representatives of all elements making up the Agency's largest "parliamentary" body.

Their unity was based on the shared needs of Israel and the Jewish people.

That point was further underlined when the overseas communities stressed the ideological factor and called for stopping support for institutions which do not recognize the State of Israel.

The wording of this resolution was a compromise between the various elements in the Assembly. This, too, testified to a greater awareness of the delicate fabric of the partnership, and speaks well of the deeper understanding of the complications of Jewish life in Israel by the variegated constituencies which make up the Assembly.

Change urgently needed

This maturity prevented an even sharper exchange between the religious Zionists and other Orthodox groups and the militants fighting allocations to ultra-Orthodox institutions, which were the real target of the decision.

The Zionist leadership must be given due credit for recognizing the urgent need to change its operations and structure.

All three major groupings in the movement — Herut, Labor and Confederation (non-party) — came up with variations of a plan to elect a small, streamlined executive and are earnestly trying to present a more attractive and pragmatic platform at the next Zionist Congress.

More action, less budget, less politics — that is the way one leader summarized the evolving attitude.

This December will be the first test. A new Israeli executive for the WZO and the Agency, and a new platform, may herald final recognition — long overdue — that the Zionist movement is catching up with the changes brought about by the existence of Israel and the realities in the Diaspora.

A new, effective executive and a new agenda of priorities for the Jewish Agency may portend a totally new era for the Zionist and Israeli partnership with the communities.

As the June sessions ended, Max Fisher, who is the surviving architect of the Reconstituted Jewish Agency, could deservedly say with pride, "The partnership came out stronger."

For this writer and those of his colleagues who seemed constantly to be battling against the current, the hopes of really achieving change appeared to justify this struggle over the past decade.

Real political and financial considerations indicate that the hopes will begin to be realized.

Bork's privacy stance courts ill-will amongst U.S. liberals

By
ELLEN GOODMAN

What an unexpected way to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the long, hot summer that produced the U.S. constitution. Instead of commemorating the document, we're going to spend this summer arguing over a new interpreter.

The fierce debate emerging over the nomination of Robert Bork can only increase the impression that a Supreme court justice has more leeway than a home-plate umpire. It's sure to add to the uneasy sense that the law is a matter of opinion or appointment.

The left has accused the President of playing politics with the Bork appointment. The right has accused the left of playing politics with the Bork opposition. They both hold their noses at the very word. We know instinctively that the practice of the Supreme Court, perhaps the last institution that Americans overwhelmingly respect, is undermined by these personal games.

Consider the most vulnerable right that's left to judicial politicking this summer: privacy. Bork, who stands at the intellectual outer edge of the right wing, has said that the right to privacy simply doesn't exist. Does a right exist with one judge and disappear with another?

"As I said years ago, I thought the privacy notion had little to do with the intent of the framers," Bork has explained. Indeed the constitution doesn't spell out the private sphere, nor does the Bill of Rights list privacy.

The concept of an intimate family life protected from the government appeared in the 1920s when the Supreme Court ruled that raising your own family the way you saw fit was a kind of "liberty." It wasn't until the 1940s, when the Court struck down a law that punished burglars with sterilization, that they called the right to procreate a basic and fundamental one.

The case that put the word privacy itself into the language of rights came in 1965. Connecticut still had a law then that banned birth control for married couples. In striking that law down, the high court said in "Griswold" that it violated the basic privacy rights of these couples.

One of the justices wrote that privacy rights were deduced from others in the first eight amendments: the freedom of expression, the freedom from unwarranted search, the freedom from having soldiers quartered in your home. A second found privacy in the 9th amendment. A third, the conservative John Marshall Harlan, said privacy was covered in the 14th amendment as personal liberty.

Later, in Roe v. Wade, the abortion case, the Court extended privacy to include the right to choose an abortion. Any way you define privacy, wrote Justice Blackman, it "is broad enough to encompass a woman's decision whether or not to terminate her pregnancy."

Bork has disagreed with all this. Not just the 1973 abortion decision, which he called "unconstitutional," not just the 1965 birth-control decision, but the whole emergence of a right of privacy. He disagrees because he says the "framers" of the Constitution and its amendments did not "intend" to create such a right.

I have no idea what the original collection of men who spent that tortured summer of 1787 in Philadelphia would have thought about birth-control pills, suction aspiration, or contragestives. There is nothing in the Constitution or its amendments about reproduction. But I know that they and their followers "intended" to form a government for public life, not one that would reach intrusively into personal life.

Bork has said that the job of a judge is to figure out this "intent" of the framers and to uphold it, nothing more. Anyone looking for new law should go to the legislature. He opposes a so-called activist judiciary. Yet, if appointed, this anti-activist judge would create enormous action, or should I say reaction. His swing vote could upend decades of law.

So we have this uncomfortable lesson for the 200th anniversary of our Constitution. The new candidate for the Supreme Court holds the view that the politics, even the personality, of a justice should make no difference in deciding the law. And by his very presence, he reminds us just how much difference it does make.

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Montrealer gets angry seeing "monster" Barbie's face

Escapes from Gestapo in France remembered

By
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MONTREAL —

Regine Frankel never heard of Klaus Barbie until long after the war, but like other French Jews who survived the Holocaust, she is today breathing a sigh of relief that the "Butcher of Lyons" is finally behind bars.

Frankel spent the war years in hiding near Tulle, a town in central France about 150 miles west of Lyon. She was only 8 or 9 when the Nazis occupied France yet she vividly remembers her family fleeing their hometown of Belfort near Paris, just ahead of the blitzkrieg, travelling south for three days by car, leaving behind virtually everything they owned.

Frankel's parents, brother and sister survived the war; the less immediate family was not so lucky, all are believed to have perished. They include an uncle who was in Lyon, presumably one of the Jews who were deported to Auschwitz under Gestapo chief Barbie's orders.

"I remembered he visited us in Tulle, and we pleaded with him to stay with us but he went back to Lyon. We never heard from him again," recalls Frankel, who has lived in Montreal since 1961.

Once in Tulle, French officials assigned the Rubenfelds (Frankel's maiden name) to a "residence force," a primitive cottage outside the town, with no electricity, plumbing or heat. For a short while, before the Germans entered the area, their life was reasonably tranquil; her older brother Georges, now a professor of French in Winnipeg, continued to study at the local university, and she, her brother and sister performed as a musical ensemble.

Those performances came to an abrupt end. "We were scheduled to give a concert at the end of the year at the university. Our names — we were known as the Trio Ruben — were already printed in the program.

"The night of the performance, we could see Nazis sitting in the front row. We were in a dilemma over what to do; our names were obviously Jewish, but it might be worse if we did not play. After conferring with the dean, we went ahead and played. Immediately, afterward we were whisked away out of town in a car that was waiting for us outside."

There were at least three instances when the Rubenfelds barely escaped the Gestapo, said Frankel, who works as a tourist guide in Montreal and a guide at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts.

"My father had a lot of foresight. He made arrangements with an elderly couple living near us to hide in their place if we ever needed to." Five people, however, were too many to shelter; Frankel's brother joined the underground and her sister went to work on a nearby farm. Alternating between these two houses, they were able to avoid detection by the Nazis.

Frankel had the task of walking the seven kilometres into town to find food, never sure if she would be recognized as a Jew. "It's amazing what you can do when you have to. You really act on instinct at times." It was also a miracle, she says, that no one denounced her family to the Germans.

One day the Gestapo did arrive at the elderly couple's house. Frankel and her mother ran to the woods, while her father, who limped, followed the contingency plans he had made. He squeezed himself into a chicken coop, the front covered over with a board by Frankel before she left. "When we found him at the end of the day he was green. It was a wonder he did not suffocate."

Fear was constant, and no better illustrated than during the first Passover the Rubenfelds spent in hiding. "We were in a room at the elderly couple's home. We had no matzoh, of course, but wanted to do as much as we could to celebrate the holiday.

"We waited until midnight, and with some juice and a lit candle recited the prayer of the first seder. It's eerie when I think about. Here we were not knowing what tomorrow would bring."

Just as the bracha was complete, there was a pounding at the door. "We were completely paralysed. We could have escaped through the window, but we couldn't move." To their immense relief it was the old lady at the door with another Jew on the run who wanted to spend the night.

After the war the Rubenfeld family returned to Paris, but emigrated to Winnipeg in 1953 to join cousins. Frankel's mother Sylvia, now in her 80s, her sister Rachelle Fink and brother Georges still live there.

Frankel has followed the Barbie case with interest, although "gets very angry" every time she sees his face on television. She is, of course, happy that he was convicted of crimes against humanity and sentenced to life in prison.

"Whatever they give him is not enough. He was not a simple criminal but a monster. When I read that he is not a bit repentent, I have to believe he is not human."

To Frankel's mind, though, the importance of the trial of Barbie is mostly symbolic. "He was not the only one who did great harm."

Frankel has been back to France a couple of times since the war, and harbors no bitterness towards the French people. "Like any nation, there were good and bad people. There were collaborators all over Europe."

The Rubenfeld family in a portrait soon after the war. Regine Frankel is standing at the right, with her parents David and Sylvia Rubenfeld, her sister Rachelle and brother Georges.

Tisha b'Av commemorates tragedies that befell Jews

By
DVORA WAYSMAN

JERUSALEM (WZPS) —

On May 27, Israel celebrated the 20th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem. The festivities were impressive — the streets were decorated and concerts, art shows, street theatre, dancing and firework displays were evident in neighborhoods all over the city. Why, then, on Tisha b'Av (9th Av — Aug. 4), do observant Jews fast and weep so bitterly for Jerusalem?

Tisha b'Av commemorates many tragedies, but the main focus of the mourning is for the destruction of the Temple. The First Temple was destroyed on 9th Av by Nebuchadnezzar in 586 BCE, and this event marked the beginning of Jewish exile.

As well as completing the cycle of the Jewish year, Tisha b'Av is the blackest date of the Hebrew calendar. In addition to the destruction of the First and Second Temple, there were several other calamities that befell the Jewish people on that date: it was decreed that Israel should wander through the wilderness for 40 years; the fortress of Betar fell and Bar Kochba and his men were massacred in 135 CE, and one year later in 136 CE the Roman emperor Hadrian established a heathen temple on the site of the Temple and rebuilt Jerusalem as a pagan city which the Jews were forbidden to enter.

On the same date, in 1290, King Edward I signed an edict expelling Jews from England, while on 9th Av in 1492, following the terrifying Inquisition, 300,000 Jews, led by the sage Don Isaac Abarbanel, fled Spain after Ferdinand and Isabella signed the decree for their expulsion.

But all these events took place long ago, so why do we continue to fast and weep today? The Talmud explicitly states: "He who eats and drinks on 9th Av will not live to see the crowning glory of Jerusalem, for the Scriptures state: Rejoice ye with Jerusalem and be glad for her, ye that mourn her." This sounds contradictory but it means that the value of fasting lies not only in remembering the past and applying its lessons to the present, but also in recognizing the unity of our people, the roots of its existence and the prophetic destiny which still awaits fulfilment.

On Tisha b'Av, in addition to fasting from sunset to sunset, worshippers sit in synagogue on low stools or the floor, wearing, in keeping with tradition, slippers or sneakers instead of leather shoes. Lights are dimmed. The Holy Ark is draped in black, Torah scrolls have their crowns with tinkling bells removed and the Book of Lamentations and dirges (Kinot) are dolefully chanted. The dirges were composed during the Middle Ages, and they concern "the daughter of Zion," which personifies the ruined city of Jerusalem. She weeps at night and receives no comfort. Her friends and lovers have betrayed her.

Today, Jews by the thousands flock to the Western Wall, the last remnant of the Temple, on Tisha b'Av. They sit on the ground, trading dirges all night long by the light of the moon. By voluntarily inflicting themselves in this way, they are identifying themselves with the totality of Jewish history, just as other pious Jews are doing all over the world on this night.

It is a truism that if we do not learn the lessons of history, we are doomed to repeat them. We cannot afford to stop commemorating the great disasters that have befallen our people, even in times of peace, for it is only by keeping alive these bitter memories and teaching them to our children that we can hope to prevent their recurrence.

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Living Halacha

By
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QUESTION: In some families, it is stylish for children to address their parents by name. Is this correct in our laws?

If your father's name is Meyer, you are not permitted to say "Good morning, Meyer." This is spelled out in the Code, Y.D. Chapter 242:2, where we are told that a father is to be treated with respect. Therefore, "He shall not call him by name, neither during his lifetime, nor after his death."

Rabbi Burak

The same mark of respect must be shown to one's Torah teacher. One may not call him by name either. The Talmud takes this fault very seriously. In Tractate Sanhedrin, 100A, in answer to the question, Who is an apikores? Rav Nachman answers: "He who calls his rabbi by name.

"For Rabbi Yohanan said: Why was Gehazi punished? Because he called his rabbi by name, as it is written (in Second Kings, 8:5) 'And Gehazi said: My lord, O King, this is the woman, and this is her son, whom Elisha restored to life.' " In punishment for this lack of respect, he was stricken with leprosy.

Yet, in the same tractate, only a few pages later, we find an example of the same disrespect, and no punishment is given. In Sanhedrin, 107B, discussing the fact that Elisha, the prophet, cured Naaman of his leprosy, we are told that he went to the prophet for help — on the advice of a young maiden captured in Israel. She said to him: "If you go to Elisha, he will cure you." So he went. Maybe, you can answer this contradiction in the texts on your own.

A number of authorities feel that if you give a title with the name, you are safe. I submit to you that we have some pro and con examples on this score in the Torah. A king must be given the highest respect. Yet, Balaam speaks these words to him, in Numbers, Chapter, 23:7: "From Aram, Balak, King of Moab, bringeth me."

Thus, if you give the title along with the name, it is alright. Yet, in the same chapter, verse 18, Balaam says: "Arise Balak, and hear." He left out the title, and that's an act of disrespect. But, by that time Balaam and Balak were not on very good terms, as the insolent command to arise would indicate.

Still, earlier, in Numbers, Chapter 22:7, the elders of Moab arrived: "And they came into Balaam, and spoke unto him the words of Balak." No title is given. That's what happens when elders don't study our Talmud and Codes. They don't know the proper etiquette.

Rabbi Akiva Eger z.l. in his gloss on the Code, holds that when a proper title is given one may speak the most revered of names. He cites the Pri Chadash as his authority for this ruling, who in turn cited Numbers, Chapter 11:18, as his proof text. There, Joshua says to his great teacher: "My lord Moses, shut them in." Thus, you may address the rabbi by his first name, if you give a proper title with it.

This, then, is the basis for the doctrine that when you speak of your father, if you say "avi mori my father, my teacher," you may give his personal name. But, the Maharshal, in his Yam Shel Shlomo, Kiddushin, section 65, rules that a child may never say his father's name in his presence. All he may say is: "Avi mori, my father my teacher."

Maharshal holds that Joshuah had to say the name Moses, because his teacher was so modest that had Joshua only said "my teacher," Moshe might have thought that he was referring to Aaron, or to someone else. So, he had to state the name Moshe. But, a man has only one father. Even in company when he says "avi mori," there can be no mistake about whom he is talking.

Young and old must study the Code rather than the mode, if they want to do what's right.

Trial to proceed without delay

Demjanjuk allowed new lawyer

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Jerusalem district court hearing the case of suspected war criminal John Demjanjuk is prepared to allow the defendant to replace his chief defence counsel, American lawyer Mark O'Connor. But the court will deny any motion to postpone the trial, which is scheduled to resume on July 27 after a one month recess.

Judge Dov Levin, who presides over the 3-judge panel, made this clear to Demjanjuk at a special recess session last week. It is a vital point because Demjanjuk, who is due to take the stand in his defence, is not certain that the new lawyer he selected, John Broadley of Washington, D.C., will have sufficient time to prepare himself.

He asked for more time to consider his plans, and Levin gave him until this week. Demjanjuk signed a letter on June 30 firing O'Connor. O'Connor said he was influenced by his family and Yoram Sheftel, the Israel lawyer O'Connor hired for the defence team.

O'Connor and Sheftel have had serious differences over the conduct of the trial since it began Feb. 16.

Demjanjuk, speaking in his native Ukrainian, told the court that O'Connor had "handled this case wrong from the start." O'Connor, who sat with a bowed head and remained silent, had said earlier that Demjanjuk was "crestfallen" by consequences of his letter of dismissal.

Levin noted that, according to Israeli law, it was up to the court to approve a change of lawyer in mid-trial and up to the justice minister to allow a foreign lawyer to plead before an Israeli court. He indicated, however, that if Demjanjuk understands a postponement is out of the question, the court would agree to relieve O'Connor.

He also implied that Broadley would receive a special permit if Demjanjuk hires him.

Shamir scuttles move to drop Lavi project

TEL AVIV (JPFS) — Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has come out in favor of the Lavi project and opposed suggestions by Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Finance Minister Moshe Nissim to scuttle it.

In an interview, the Prime Minister said the plane must be produced. The economic difficulties involved in the Lavi's production must be solved, he added.

However, Shamir did not indicate how he thought the project would be financed. Shamir's economic advisers, Amos Rubin and Shmuel Slavin, assigned to look into the matter, were still awaiting the Israel Aircraft Industries' (IAI) recommendations.

So far, the IAI has distributed a few papers, but it is still discussing the matter with the Israel Army and the defence ministry.

Israel Aircraft Industries, the main producer of the Lavi jet fighter, has apparently failed to come up with a plan to sufficiently reduce costs and thus save the beleaguered project.

So far, IAI representatives haven't presented any formal proposals in discussing possible cuts with defence ministry officials.

But, according to an authoritative source, IAI is only able to suggest $80 million in reduced costs, while the required amount should be $150 million.

If IAI offers a sound proposal, even Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin would reconsider his opposition to the plane. But at a meeting with IAI's directors, he said the budgetary constraints cast doubts over Israel's ability to produce a plane of its own. He reportedly said that the defence industries in general are too big for Israel.

Finance Minister Moshe Nissim also attended the discussion on cutting costs in the development and production of the Lavi. He told reporters after the meeting that he and Rabin had not changed their minds about the need to scrap the Lavi project.

"Although thorough (it was) a sad meeting," he said. He also said that there was no doubt that IAI would be hurt by the decision to call off the project.

There would have to be layoffs, he said, adding that he was confident the weapons systems the army proposes to develop instead of the Lavi would in the long run solve any employment problem created by cancellation of the project.

Nissim revealed that the development costs of the Lavi are now calculated at some $3.5 billion, of which $1.5 billion have already been spent. Until a few months ago it was thought that these costs would total $2.9 billion. "Who knows whether this is the final figure — at the begining of the project, development costs were put at $800 million," Nissim said.

Cabinet reaches a compromise on tuition fees

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

The cabinet has reached a compromise agreement on the issue of university tuition fees that apparently is acceptable to all parties. It reversed its controversial decision to establish a 3-tier system of lower fees for veterans of the Israel Defence Force, which much of the public saw as direct discrimination against Arab students who are barred by law from serving in the military.

All students will now pay an annual fee of $1,350, about $100 less than the current fee.

The government will provide a $6.5 million subsidy for the financially hard-pressed universities to help reduce their deficits. The sum is less than the universities had asked for.

The cabinet decision was a compromise between Education Minister Yitzhak Navon, who had pressed for lower fees, and Finance Minister Moshe Nissim, who insisted the Treasury could not afford additional subsidies.

The cabinet acted under growing pressure from students and the universities.

Israel's Contra role is outlined

RAMAT GAN (JPFS) —

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said last week that "everyone involved in the Iran-Contra affair knew more than they admitted to knowing about the transfer of funds to the Contras, and attempted to lay the blame on Lt. Col. Oliver North."

Speaking at Bar-Ilan University, Peres said: "The Americans turned to us for help on releasing hostages held in Iran, and after their help with the Ethiopian Jews, we were glad to be of assistance. We didn't do it for money, and any talk about funds via Israel to the Contras is nonsense."

In Nazareth, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said that Israel's reputation in the United States was unharmed by North's testimony before Senate investigators.

Israel's role in selling weapons to Iran was done "with the best intentions and in full cooperation with the U.S. authorities. I don't think there was anything done by Israel against the interests of the U.S.," Shamir reiterated.

The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS:

(1) Who authorized the famous dirge of the 9th of Av, *Ziyyon Ha-lo-Tishali?*

(2) Which poet-philosopher was considered the "Singer of Zion" because of his passionate expression of longing for Jerusalem?

(3) Who wrote the historical novel *Ahavat Ziyyon* (Love of Zion — 1853), which was set in Jerusalem in the time of King Ahaz?

Edmond Lipsitz

ANSWERS:

(1) Yehuda Halevi.
(2) Yehuda Halevi.
(3) Abraham Mapu.

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These questions and answers came from the book *6400 Questions About Judaism and the Jewish People* by Edmond Y. Lipsitz, published by JESL Educational Products, Downsview, Ont. Dr. Lipsitz would be pleased to receive your comments, or to consider your own Jewish quiz questions for inclusion in future columns. Write to him, c/o The Canadian Jewish News.

Soccer star killed in boating accident

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Israel's soccer community is in deep shock following the tragic death of the national team goalkeeper Avi Ran, 23, in a boating accident on Lake Kinneret.

The Maccabi Haifa player who has been the country's No. 1 goalkeeper for the past two seasons was struck on the head by a high-powered speed boat while himself out on a motorized water cycle. Attempts by Magen David Adom staff at the lakeside to revive him were of no avail.

Tiberias police have begun probing the accident and have detained the driver of the speedboat.

Shaul Sviri, chairman of the Israel Football Association said: "This tragedy has lowered Israel's sports banner to half mast." Tributes to the player, one of the rising stars of local sport, have been pouring in to his Haifa home.

U.S. BB leader dies

NEW YORK —

Nathan Perlmutter, U.S. national director of B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League, died of cancer last week, at age 64.

Last month, he was described as a "hero of the human spirit," by U.S. President Ronald Reagan, who bestowed upon him the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian award in the U.S.

In an interview several years ago, Perlmutter told the press that in his youth in New York, "there wasn't a city in America that didn't have an exclusive area — that meant it excluded Jews.

In Miami Beach, now considered a Jewish area, there were signs that read, 'No dogs or Jews allowed.' "

He joined the ADL in 1949 after finishing law school.

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Israel access complaints for Arad

Controversy greets new envoy

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Moshe Arad, Israel's new ambassador to the United States, arrived in Washington last week amidst the growing controversy over complaints by Palestinian and Black Americans that they have been experiencing difficulties in entering Israel.

State department spokesman Charles Redman said that another expression of "serious concern" will be made to the Israel embassy.

However, the complaint will not be made to Arad, since he does not officially take up his post until he presents his credentials to President Reagan sometime soon.

Arad, who comes to the U.S. from Mexico where he was the Israeli envoy, paid a courtesy call on Richard Murphy, assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs.

The 52-year-old career diplomat was appointed ambassador after a six-month dispute between Premier Yitzhak Shamir and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres about who should replace ambassador Meir Rosenne, who ended his four-year tour of duty in Washington June 1.

Redman said that about

Moshe Arad

40 Arab Americans and 35 Black Americans had complained that they were denied entry or had their passports confiscated this summer. Blacks have been turned away because of suspicion that they are Black Hebrews, according to Israeli spokesmen.

"We have continued to express our deep concern to Israel about discriminatory, arbitrary treatment of some American citizens," Redman said.

He said Israel has been asked for "assurances" that the problem will be "resolved promptly. The United States believes strongly that all American citizens are entitled to equal treatment under the laws of foreign countries regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background."

Redman said he did not know whether the U.S. had ever complained to Arab countries, such as Saudi Arabia, which bar American Jews.

He also would not confirm reports that the U.S. is threatening to issue a travel advisory warning Palestinian and Black Americans that they might face harassment in going to Israel. The U.S. embassy in Tel Aviv and consulate in Jerusalem have reportedly urged that such a advisory be issued. Redman, however, indicated that an official warning might not be necessary. "I think the problem has been publicized," he noted.

Israeli-PLO film sought

Incident irks press group

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — The Foreign Press Association has issued a statement strongly objecting to actions taken by the Israeli police against one of its members.

The statement referred to the summoning by police of news photographer Andre Brutmann following his trip to Budapest last month to cover a meeting between an Israeli delegation and members of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Brutmann, a German citizen, is an Israeli temporary resident. He was in Budapest on assignment for Time Magazine.

When he returned to Ben-Gurion Airport from Hungary, he was approached by a plainclothes detective who allegedly said, "Andre, we want your film." Brutmann protested, and a uniformed policeman, later identified as Even Chen, then said: "We need your film as evidence."

But Brutmann had sent the film, which contained photographs of the Israelis and PLO members, to Time Magazine in New York before leaving Budapest.

When he presented police with a letter to this effect, he was allowed to leave. Later, he was asked to go to police headquarters in Ramle, which was followed by a summons to appear there.

Jay Bushinski, acting chairman of the Foreign Press Association, said that Brutmann was receiving legal advice an added that he had the association's full support. "We will stand by him, as friends and as legal advisors, until the end," he said.

The association's statement described the police action as "a flagrant violation of the freedom of the press and an unwarranted attempt to force a journalist to participate in a police investigation.

"Such practices," it added, "cannot be condoned in a democratic society such as Israel."

ADL blasts Muslim group

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith has accused the World Muslim Congress of spreading allegations that "international Jewish capital" is at the root of Western trade moves against Japan.

Abraham Foxman, associate national director of the ADL and head of its international affairs division, cited the May 23 issue of The Muslim World, the World Muslim Congress' weekly newsletter, which describes anti-Jewish books recently published in Japan.

"Despite the article's reportorial rather than polemical style, its message is clear: Jews are behind world economic problems and Jews are lying about the Holocaust," Foxman said.

The Muslim World, edited by Inamullah Khan, is published in English and mailed from Karachi, Pakistan, to subscribers all over the world. Khan is secretary-general of the World Muslim Congress. The congress maintains consultative status as a non-governmental organization at the United Nations.

Foxman said its dissemination of racist materials disqualified the congress from UN affiliation. The front-page article in the May 23 Muslim World quoted from a book by Masami Uno alleging that Jews control the world economy. It cited another book by Toru Kawajiri, described as "a well known and highly respected psychoanalyst," which plays down the Holocaust.

Foxman recalled that in 1982 the ADL revealed that the World Muslim Congress was distributing anti-semitic books by American neo-Nazi William Grimstad to members of the Senate and the British parliament.

The congress was founded in 1949, according to ADL, and was headed for 20 years by Haj Amin el-Husseini, the former grand mufti of Jerusalem, who was an admirer of Hitler and fled to Berlin at the outbreak of World War II. His successor, Ma'ruf al-Dawalibi, who lives in Saudi Arabia, has been quoted as saying "the Arabs would prefer a thousandfold to become a Soviet republic than a prey to world Jewry."

Laborites refuse to back pardon bill

JERUSALEM (JTA) — All but two members of the Labor Party Knesset faction absented themselves from the Knesset last week to avoid voting on five no-confidence motions introduced by leftist parties.

The issue was Premier Yitzhak Shamir's recent vote in favor of a bill by the religious parties to pardon seven members of a Jewish underground still serving prison sentences for acts of violence against Arabs in the West Bank.

Many Laborites made it clear to the party leadership that they would not, under any circumstances, support the government on this matter. The party absented itself en-bloc to head off a possible move by Likud to oust Labor from the unity coalition government for failure to support the government against the five motions.

The two Laborites who participated in the voting were Haim Romon, who supported the left-wing opposition parties, and Aharon Nahamias, who backed the government.

The motions were easily defeated. Shamir stressed that he did not intend to seek Labor's removal and hoped the unity government would remain in office. But the parliamentary breakdown of Likud and the religious parties on one side of the issue and Labor and the left on the other strengthened political speculation that the unity government would soon be replaced by a narrowly based coalition headed by one or the other of the two major parties.

Supporters of the no-confidence motions denounced Shamir for voting for and giving his moral support to the pardon bill, which Likud Justice Minister Avraham Sharir had rejected in his official statement for the government last week.

Shamir maintained that the justice minister spoke for himself, not the government.

He said his vote in favor of pardons reflected his "views and feelings" about the underground members remaining in prison, but did not in any way imply acquiesence to their crimes.

Unusual request

HAIFA (JPFS) — The district court in Haifa has acceded to the request of a Jewish woman who asked that the ministry of interior be directed to register her 6-year-old son with her family name, Cohen, instead of the surname of his Arab Christian father.

The couple, who never married, lived together for six months after the child was born. After that the father showed no interest in his son, the mother told the court, and ceased to provide child support.

Peres gives Hassan Koran

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Foreign Minister Shimon Peres has sent Morocco's King Hassan II a mother-of-pearl-inlaid volume of the Koran to mark the monarch's 58th birthday.

Peres' messenger was Lillian Shalom, an American Jew of Moroccan descent who visits Israel frequently.

When Peres was Prime Minister last year, he made a historic trip to Morocco for two days for talks with Hassan on the Middle East peace process.

Meanwhile, Labor Party Knesset Member Rafi Edri arrived in Rabat to take part in celebrations marking the king's birthday.

Although Israel and Morocco have no diplomatic relations, this is the third consecutive year that the king has invited prominent Moroccan-born Israelis to attend the festivities.

King Hassan was presented a scroll signed by 71 prominent Israelis, attesting to the role of his late father, King Muhammed V, in fighting the Nazis during World War II and saving Jewish lives in Europe and Morocco.

The information was reported to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency here by Sam Ben-Shitrit, president of Beyachad, the organization of Israelis of North African origin, in a telephone call from Casablanca.

Ben-Shitrit said this should "once and for all" end the controversy and rumors about the attitude of Muhammed towards Jews.

Ben-Shitrit said Hassan was deeply moved and thanked the signers of the document and the Israelis who presented it to him, Rafi Edri, chairman of the Labor Party's Knesset faction, and Ben-Shitrit. "I would like to bless all Israelis of Moroccan origin," Hassan said, according to Shitrit.

The Name Game

There's a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years.

In a series of articles Mr. Catzman reports on his research. If you have any information relating to the origin and meaning of your surname, please pass it along to Fred M. Catzman, c/o The Canadian Jewish News, 10 Gateway Blvd., Suite 420, Don Mills, Ont. M3C 3A1.

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LEHRER — SAVEIN

Gertrude Lehrer, an old client and friend, recently passed away at the age of 94. She was predeceased by her daughter Barbara Savein. Both were lovely ladies.

LEHRER is Yiddish for teacher. In Hebrew it is Melamed. In Slavonic it is BELFER. It's English equivalent is found in Teacher's Highland Cream.

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World-National

Groups criticize proposed Bill C-55

Refugees deserve fair hearing, CJC and BB say

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Spokesmen for Canada's two largest Jewish organizations last week repeated their calls on the federal government to give all those claiming refugee status — including the recently arrived East Indians on the Nova Scotia coast — the right to a fair hearing.

Speaking at a meeting of the Toronto Mayor's Committee on Community and Race Relations, representatives of Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith Canada criticized the proposed Bill C-55 which would allow immigration department officials the right to reject applicants following a pre-screening meeting.

Fred Zemans, chairman of the law and social action committee of CJC, told the meeting Congress has for years maintained that all those claiming refugee status should have the right to a hearing as expeditiously as possible.

B'nai B'rith spokeswoman Ellen Kachuck said the committee should express its concern over the bill and urge the government not to use the controversy over the recent arrival in Nova Scotia of 174 East Indians to press for passage of the bill.

She told The CJN B'nai B'rith had written to Immigration Minister Benoit Bouchard suggesting that each of the new "boat people" should get a hearing and have an independent determination of their refugee status.

After hearing presentations from a number of other groups, the Mayor's Committee passed a resolution calling on the government to drop or amend Bill C-55.

The resolution suggested changing the bill to allow those claiming refugee status to remain in Canada during the refugee determination process. It also suggested applicants be allowed the right to counsel and a fair hearing before an independent and credible body specializing in refugee-determination matters and it advocated the right to appeal from decisions affecting refugee status.

Under Bill C-55, a pre-screening process would be held to determine whether an individual is entitled to enter the country. Concerns have been raised that 90% of applicants would be rejected at the port of entry without a hearing.

There is also concern that applicants would be sent back to third countries which the federal cabinet deems safe, but which may subsequently return the person to his or her country of origin where they face danger.

Among those who made representations to the Mayor's Committee were the Catholic Immigrant Centre, the Metro Toronto Labor Council, the Anglican Archdiocese of Toronto and the National Organization of Immigrant and Visible Minority Women.

Zemans said Congress was concerned that the federal government was moving away from the post-war tradition of responsiveness to the needs of legitimate refugees.

Congress is calling for a refugee determination process that is effective and expeditious, he said, and which operates regardless of how the claimants arrive in Canada.

He said the government seems to be confusing genuine refugees who are fleeing political persecution and danger with those merely seeking to improve their economic situation by "jumping the immigration queue."

Kachuck agreed, adding the government should have long ago adopted measures such as visa controls to screen out visitors to Canada who were misusing the immigration process to get into Canada for economic reasons.

In other resolutions, the Mayor's Committee called on the city of Toronto to declare a refugee awareness week to educate the public about the plight of refugees and their contributions to Canada and to hold a conference on that topic.

Jewish women oppose Bork for high court

By
EDWIN BLACK

NEW YORK —

Jewish women's organizations are preparing to mount an intensive campaign against the appointment of Robert Bork to the Supreme Court. Calling the conservative judge "an extremist," National Council of Jewish Women president Lenore Feldman has vowed to fight Bork's confirmation.

Na'amat president Gloria Elbling, who termed the nomination "a slap in the face to countless women," also pledged her group to work against the nominee.

The fight will begin at once, both on a national and grassroots level, with NCJW assuming the most active Jewish communal role. On the national level, NCJW is asking its 100,000 members to commence a Congregational letter-writing campaign opposing Bork's nomination. Between actual members and recruited letter writers, NCJW projects 100,000 pre-printed and freeform protests to be mailed within the coming weeks.

NCJW's capital representatives will begin immediate consultations on the Hill with legislators, especially those of the judiciary committee who will be holding confirmation hearings.

"Bork's stance against reproductive choice, ERA and homosexual rights are troubling to us," asserted Feldman.

Womens' groups emphasized that Bork's record was not only bad on gender issues, but on church-state issues as well. "For example, his position on public funding of religious schools erodes the separation of church and state," says Feldman. Na'amat president Elbling said their group was concerned with Bork's stand on prayer in the schools.

While NCJW representatives work with legislators in Washington, New York officials intend to energize an inter-communal and inter-faith woman's coalition against the nominee. "Starting right away we are putting all organizational efforts into getting our traditional partners, both Jewish and non-Jewish, to join in opposing confirmation" an NCJW source confirms.

Church Women United, the National Organization of Negro Women, the Hispanic American G.I. Forum of Women and the National Abortion Rights Action League head the list of womens' groups NCJW will be contacting. "Our idea is to encourage them to develop their own action strategies and coordinate them with ours against confirmation," explained the NCJW source.

To match national efforts, NCJW officials in cities throughout America will help organize local protests. For example, Baltimore section director Elaine Weinstock says she "will work with other groups to mount a letter writing campaign to Maryland Senators Paul Sarbanes and Barbara Mikulski."

Edith Goodman, a national board member from San Francisco promises that Bay area members will be mobilizing other local women's groups, to plan a coordinated strategy.

Overseeing the many grass roots efforts will be Nan Rich of Palm Beach, who supervises all NCJW activities in Florida and also chairs the group's national affairs community services committee. "She'll be a central figure in the operation, coordinating between all the local and national moves" a NCJW source explained.

Labor strife continues

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

More than 450,000 public employees who staged a 24-hour strike last week are back at their jobs. But longer work stoppages threatened even as Histadrut acepted Finance Minister Moshe Nissim's offer to negotiate a new labor contract immediately.

Nissim reportedly is prepared to grant pay increases to low-wage employees and pensioners, and even a shorter work week. But some unions wanted the strike to continue until some progress was made toward an overall contract.

The recalcitrant unions held off wildcat strikes only on the promise by Histadrut leadership that the trade union federation would take tough measures if negotiations with the finance ministry did not make speedy progress.

Waldheim meet sparks dispute

NEW YORK (JTA) —

A recent meeting between Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Agostino Casaroli and U.S. Catholic and Jewish officials, described by one participant as a "no-holds-barred" exchange, focused on rising tensions between Catholics and Jews in the wake of the Pope's recent granting of an audience to Austrian President Kurt Waldheim, who is accused of Nazi war crimes.

Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, director of international affairs for the American Jewish Committee and one of the four Jewish participants in the meeting, said he and others also expressed concern about the Pope's attitude toward the Nazi Holocaust and anti-semitism and had discussed the steps necessary to improve Catholic-Jewish relations.

Archbishop John May, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, said of the meeting: "Among other things, we shared with his eminence our assessment of Catholic-Jewish relations in the United States, especially as they have been impacted by recent controversies and allegations that the Catholic church is insensitive to the Holocaust."

Casaroli, second in command at the Vatican, met with the U.S. religious leaders at the home here of Archbishop Renato Martino, the Vatican's premanent observer to the United Nations. Casaroli agreed to the unscheduled meeting while he was on unofficial business in New York.

The controversy heated up last month when Pope John Paul II granted an audience to Waldheim in the face of adamant Jewish opposition. The Pope characterized Waldheim, a former two-term UN secretary general, as a great international servant who has advanced world peace.

But Jewish groups were angered that the Pope neglected to mention Waldheim's Nazi past or the six million Jews and millions of others who perished under the Nazi regime that Waldheim served as an intelligence officer in the Balkans and Greece.

"What is troubling is his attitude on receiving Waldheim," Tanenbaum said. "He has allowed Waldheim to hijack the Pope and the Vatican for his own purposes. Waldheim called the Pope 'the conscience of mankind' and it follows that Waldheim is absolved in the conscience of mankind."

Tanenbaum said the Pope has sent a mixed message on the Holocaust, at times speaking "movingly and sympathetically about the unique suffering of the Jewish people." At other times, Tanenbaum said, it was "as if he was revising that history."

The four Jewish leaders who attended the meeting are members of the International Jewish Committee for Interreligious Consultations. Besides Tanenbaum, they were: Rabbi Mordecai Waxman, committee chairman and president of the Synagogue Council of America; Rabbi Gilbert Klaperman, past president of the Rabbinical Council of America; and Rabbi Wolfe Kelman, executive vice president of the Rabbinical Assembly.

The Catholic archbishop of New York, John Cardinal O'Connor, also attended.

Women not chattels, Israeli court rules

BEERSHEBA (JPFS) —

In what may prove to be a landmark decision, the local district court has declared that the Koran cannot be used to circumvent the rights of women under Israeli law, specifically with regard to the practice of polygamy and to a husband's forcible imposition of his sexual desires on an unwilling wife.

"From this day onward, let the accused and the members of his community be advised: No woman is the property or the chattel of any man," said Judge Gilad Giladi at the conclusion of a complex rape and bigamy case involving members of a traditionalist Bedouin tribe.

"A woman has the full right to refuse sex to any man," Giladi continued, "including her husband, and under no circumstances does he have the right to force himself on her."

In court, Salman Abu Jildan, 42, was sentenced to a year in prison after pleading guilty to having forced his 16-year-old second wife to have sexual relations with him.

According to trial testimony, early last year Abu Jildan, of the Azazme tribe, concluded an agreement with Salaam Abu Assa, 50, by which each man promised to marry the other's teenage daughter. Although Abu Jildan's daughter, one of eight children by his first wife, abided by the terms of the pact, the marital agreement was contrary to the wishes of 16-year-old Fatma Abu Assa, Abu Jildan's betrothed.

In her testimony, Fatma stated that after their wedding in April 1986, Abu Jildan beat her repeatedly and threatened to kill her if she refused to submit to him sexually.

She stated that during the first months of their marriage she ran away from her husband after being forced into sexual relations. At first, she sought refuge with her immediate family, she told the court, only to have them return her to Abu Jildan to signify their adherence to the terms of the marital agreement.

Later she fled to Beersheba, where she was advised to complain to the police against her husband.

Abu Jildan's attorney, Haim Cazes, did not dispute the girl's testimony, but based his defence on precedents in Islamic law. "Marital agreements of this kind, while unreported to the (Israeli) authorities, are not uncommon among Negev Bedouin," said Cazes. "According to the laws of Islam, the agreement, and the husband's wishes, must be honored."

But Cazes' plans to call as witnesses a number of authorities on Islamic law were cut short by a plea-bargaining process that resulted in a guilty plea and the sentencing hearing.

In asking the court to impose a strict penalty, prosecutor Zilla Kenan stressed the physical and emotional trauma the girl had undergone as a result of the marriage, and attacked Cazes' invocation of Islamic law.

"There can be only one set of laws for all citizens of Israel," Kenan said. "In a democracy, you cannot have a judicial system that differentiates among members of different religions and deals differently with each category."

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DIARY ...of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

On Tisha B'av 1967, then Israeli armed forces Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren and 50 followers who were gathered to pray at the Temple Mount were warned by Defence Minister Moshe Dayan not to go near the area again. State policy of forbidding Jewish prayer at Judaism's holiest site in order to avoid inciting Arab hostility was not reciprocated.

Israeli concern was demonstrated in the liberation of Jerusalem during the Six Day War. Troops were ordered not to shell Arab positions in the Old City, to avoid damaging any Moslem or Christian holy places. More Israeli soldiers than should have been were killed and injured in the process of capturing "unsoftened" strong points. The Moslem waqf — guardian council of the Dome of the Rock and El Aqsa mosques dominating the site of the Holy Temple — was stunned to be assured by the Israeli victors of its continued absolute control. Arab police were given continued dominion in the Old City.

Shofar trumpeted

In June, 1967, Goren had trumpeted the shofar to announce the liberation of Jerusalem. On Tisha B'av, he led a group of Jews to mourn the destruction of both Temples on their very site. For the first time in two millenia it was in Jewish hands, a circumstance of profound significance for traditional Jews and Christians alike. Dayan ordered the head of Israel's central command to prevent any further action that might incite the Arabs. "Honored rabbi," Goren was told, "If you go up to the Mount again, I will be compelled to remove you by force." The next day, the ministerial committee in charge of holy places forbade prayer scheduled at the site for the following Shabbat morning — Shabbat nechamu, of consolation.

Jews challenging anti-prayer policy were forcibly removed by police again and again. As tourists, they were permitted entry; as Jews with tallit and siddur, they were not. On April 15, 1969, responding to a restraining order against then police minister Shlomo Hillel, Israel's state attorney said that "premature prayer" by Jews would raise grave security problems. When Jerusalem lower court Judge Ruth Or ruled in 1976 that Jews have a right to pray on the Temple Mount, Hillel said he would continue to bar them. Or's ruling was quickly overruled by the city's district court, citing fear of "a breach of the peace."

In 1977, Menachem Begin made an election pledge to "open the Temple Mount to Jews. I will not fear the reactions of the Christians and Moslems." On Oct. 30, 1981, Israel's Supreme Court upheld the right of Israeli police to keep Jewish worshippers from praying on the Temple Mount. A mentally unbalanced Jew, Alan Goodman, who shot and killed two Arabs on the Temple Mount, was sentenced to life imprisonment and two terms of 20 years.

Arabs unimpressed

The policy did not impress Arab states attempting to destroy Israel anyway, through war, terrorism, diplomacy, and oil. Locally, hooligans and Jew-haters grew ever bolder. Sneers were followed by stick beating, stone throwing, grenade tossing, and knifings, with perpetrators melting into the environment. Typical is the incident described on the scene in a local Hebrew paper Kol HaIr, Aug. 4, 1984. The first photo shows two young Arabs snatching the hat from a chassidic Jew on the way to the Wall; a policeman, Arab, stands idly by. The second photo shows the youngsters taunting the helpless Jew; the policeman is gone. The third shows one of the youths throwing a rock at him. It hit his head.

The policy of Old City havlagah, self-restraint, resulted in Israeli soldiers hiding behind cars during an incident in 1979 as they and a party of yeshiva students coming to the gate of the Temple Mount were pelted by rocks.

Every Jewish vestige on the Temple Mount has been destroyed. In late 1984, the mufti (Moslem spiritual leader) of Jerusalem wired Yasser Arafat at the PLO council in Jordan: "From Al Aqsa, we renew our oath of loyalty . . . Continue forward on your path; we are with you."

In first 12 days of July

Soviet Jewish emigration hits 332

By WENDY ROSEN

MONTREAL — Soviet Jewish emigration climbed to 332 in the first 12 days of July, the Canadian Jewish Congress' National Committee for Soviet Jewry says.

This brings the annual total to 3,419 or almost quadruple last year's figure of 914.

Ben Prossin, director of Congress's Toronto-based committee, reports that just as Beth Sholom Congregation was about to adopt the family of Alexander and Raisa Gamarnik came word that they will be leaving the country by the end of the month.

Prisoner of Conscience Moshe Abramov, 32, of Samarkand has received an exit visa. Abramov, who first applied in 1980, served three years in labor camps following a dispute with the head of the Samarkand Jewish community and his refusal to renounce his desire to emigrate.

Grigory Genusov, 40, of Leningrad, who has been in refusal since 1976, has been granted permission to emigrate with his wife Elena and their two daughters. Genusov, a radio engineer, as is his wife, was refused because of his 1-year army term in 1971.

Following his arrival at Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport last week, the Jewish Telegraph Agency reports that former Prisoner of Conscience Yuli Edelshtein, accompanied by wife Tatyana and daughter Yulia, was mobbed by a horde of former Refuseniks, friends and supporters.

Edelshtein, who was released in May — four months early because of health problems — told an airport press conference that he was sad to have left behind "many who are perhaps more worthy than I to be here.

"What I want to stress is that there are even more people not getting permission to leave ... we may be joyful that some families are coming but we mustn't forget that there are a lot who are still waiting."

The Edelshteins are expected to go directly to a home provided for them in Alon Shvout, a settlement in the Etzion block in the West Bank south of Jerusalem.

Twenty-one Refuseniks, nine of whom are former Prisoners of Conscience, wrote a letter supporting Syrian Jewry and presented it to French Prime Minister Jacques Chirac during their meeting with him in Moscow.

The telegram, signed by such high-profile Refuseniks as Iosif Begun, Lev Elbert, Alexander Ioffe and Vladimir Slepak, stated: "We feel it necessary to draw your attention to the tragic plight of the Jewish community of Syria. Provided that both France and the USSR enjoy considerable influence on Syria, we believe it to be quite appropriate to raise the question of Syrian Jews during your coming talks with the Soviet leaders.

"Thus the two countries may develop a common approach that will contribute to a solution of that major humanitarian problem. We address you with a request to utilize your influence and to facilitate the exodus of those Syrian Jews that wish to do so."

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TEL AVIV (JTA) — Soviet Refusenik Ida Nudel believes that she and other long-time Refuseniks are being used by the Soviet leadership as bargaining chips for future East-West negotiations.

She told JTA Bonn correspondent David Kantor in Moscow that though more exit visas are being granted to Soviet Jews, she is pessimistic about her own chances of receiving a visa soon.

Nudel has been denied a visa on grounds that she is privy to state secrets. She worked years ago for a scientific institute doing microbiological research.

"The only secret I know is that the Soviet Union is 100 years behind the U.S. and Japan in microbiology."

Lilith, the Jewish feminist magazine, has launched an appeal on her behalf. The magazine's latest issue includes a petition in the form of a letter to Raissa Gorbachev, wife of the Soviet leader, to be signed by individual women. Among those who have responded so far are Elizabeth Taylor, Gloria Steinem and Betty Friedan.

Women are urged to participate by writing to Lilith, which expects to present the letters personally to Gorbachev in the fall, at Suite 2432, 250 W. 57th St., New York, NY 10107.

Yuri Lubimov decides to be an Israeli citizen

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Well-known Soviet stage director, Yuri Lubimov, a non-Jew, has decided to become an Israeli citizen.

He is currently living in Tel Aviv, where he is staging Dostoyevsky's Crime and Punishment. He directed Isaac Babel's Sunset at Habimah in August 1986.

Lubimov, who established his reputation in the 1970s directing Moscow's semi-dissident Taganka Theatre, left the Soviet Union legally several years ago, but has since had his Soviet citizenship revoked.

His clash with the Soviet authorities occurred when he was directing a play in London in 1983. After a Korean plane was downed over Siberia, he gave an interview to The Times that was critical of the Soviet authorities. He was then officially declared an enemy of the people.

Lubimov's request is expected to be granted under Israel's Law of Return, which permits non-Jewish spouses of would-be Jewish immigrants to obtain automatic citizenship.

The officials said Lubimov's Hungarian-Jewish wife also planned to apply for citizenship. The couple have a 7-year old son.

Absorption Minister Ya'acov Tsur told Lubimov that Israel was honored by his request, which would contribute significantly to local artistic life.

New head of IAF a Lavi opponent

TEL AVIV (JPFS) — Major General Avihu Bin-Nun, one of the staunchest opponents of the Lavi project, has been named the Israel Air Force's next commander.

Bin-Nun, who now heads the Israel Army's planning branch, is to replace Major General Amos Lapidot on Sept. 22. His successor will be Brigadier General Danny Yatom, who will be promoted to the rank of major general. Chief of the general staff Dan Shomron announced the appointment at a meeting of the army's top brass.

Bin-Nun commanded a Mystere unit in the 1967 War, downed Soviet-flown aircraft during the War of Attrition and later commanded a major air base in the north.

Yatom was previously a military aide to then-defence minister Moshe Arens. He later commanded a division in the eastern front and recently studied at the Tel Aviv University.

Syria scheduled to get its first MiG 29s soon

TEL AVIV (JPFS) — **The Syrian Air Force is scheduled to receive its first MiG 29s in the next few months, making it the first country outside the Soviet Union to receive these air superiority planes.**

The report of the planes' impending arrival was made by the commander of the Israel Air Force, Major General Amos Lapidot, in an interview published in the IAF magazine.

A squadron of MiG 29s appeared in Finland last year and data collected then suggests the plane is fairly similar to the U.S.-built F-15, which is already operational in Israel, according to an air force source.

The MiG 29 has two engines, considerable maneuverability, and advanced radar.

Railway on track

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — The proposal to construct a railway line into Eilat moved an important stage closer to realization recently when the cabinet approved the completion of the detailed planning required, at the request of Transport Minister Haim Corfu.

Under the proposal, the existing line, which carries phosphates from Nahal Zina and potash from the Dead Sea to Ashdod and Haifa ports, would be continued to Eilat.

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Editorial

Worthy project

For many years now the plight of Jews living in small Canadian centres has become more and more serious. Lacking the population base to support a rabbinic presence and a Hebrew school system, these small communities limp along trying to maintain their equilibrium.

Now, thanks to the efforts of the World Zionist Organization's Torah Department and the Canadian Jewish Congress, steps are being taken to alleviate part of the problem — trained personnel.

Shlichim from Israel (CJN June 25) have been sent to a number of small Ontario communities to provide some of the basic religious and community services now unavailable to those centres.

In one community, the Israeli shaliach presided over the first Torah service that had taken place in the town since Yom Kippur. The shlichim involved not only run the Shabbat services in the communities in question but also organize various cultural and social activities for their target groups.

The shlichim report that the communities are hungry for guidance in religious matters and are enthusiastic about the discussion groups and other encounters that form part of the Shabbat week-end visitations.

Not surprisingly, the outreach program for small communities has been an outstanding success. The presence of the Israeli shlichim over Shabbat helps diminish the feeling of isolation that goes along with being a small community far from the metropolitan Jewish centres.

The response on the part of the shlichim has been equally positive. They have been imbued, in a new way, with the sense that Jews are responsible for each other.

We applaud the CJC shlichim project and look forward to its expansion to other small Ontario and Canadian centres. The program is an intelligent, practical solution to a problem of long standing. It provides assistance to those in need and also strengthens the precious bond between the Diaspora and Israel.

Kashruth scandal

When the New York state legislature enacted legislation several years ago regulating the sale of food advertised as kosher, the response within the Jewish community was generally favorable. The American bill was undoubtedly a factor in the passage of similar legislation in Ontario.

Because of the widespread abuses in the kosher food industry, few people who applauded the legislation gave serious consideration to the irony inherent in having a secular institution interpose itself in the regulating of a religious practice.

Those who supported the bill may now have some second thoughts about the matter as a consequence of the lawsuit brought by the American concern, Hebrew National Co., against the kosher enforcement division of the New York state agriculture and markets department.

The details of the case are complex but they revolve around allegations that the company violated certain laws in the preparation of its kosher meat. Hebrew National has denied categorically the charge and has been vindicated by an Orthodox rabbinical organization that examined the charges.

The controversy has not ended with this decision because at least one rabbinic group has now raised the larger issue of whether a Jewish religious practice can be adjudicated by a regulating agency of the state of New York which by definition is secular.

This reasoning may be the first step in a challenge to be launched against the state law, not by a secular group, but by an Orthodox rabbinic that is, in our view, correctly concerned about the ramifications of government intervention into the sphere of religious practice — even if that intervention was originally requested by segments of the Jewish community.

Allowing governments to become involved in helping to correct violations of such things as kashruth and the get may seem desirable at first but there are always unanticipated consequences of such intervention, as the prospective challenge to the New York State law shows.

It is time, perhaps, for the Jewish community in the United States and Canada to reconsider its views on this issue.

Despite East European lobby pressure

OSI stepping up investigations

THE JEWISH WORLD

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Since its formation in 1979, the Office of Special Investigations has prosecuted about 50 war criminals, never having lost a bid to strip them of their American nationality or deport them. Many, however, have panicked and voluntarily left the country. But like Linnas, Maikovskis, Palciauskas and Schellong seem determined to fight it out till the bitter end.

Despite immense pressure from East European lobbying groups, the U.S. government is stepping up its investigation of war criminals.

East European emigres were up in arms recently when Karl Linnas, the commander of an Estonian concentration camp who had settled in Long Island, was deported to the Soviet Union as a pathetic old man practically dragged aboard a Moscow-bound plane. (Linnas died recently in a Leningrad hospital, before he could be brought to trial.)

The Linnas case notwithstanding, the Office of Special Investigations — the U.S. justice department's Nazi-hunting unit — intends to take action against about a dozen foreign-born residents who committed atrocities in what is now the Soviet Union.

Neil Sher, director of the Office of Special Investigations, says Linnas' deportation "sends a very strong signal that the United States is serious about this."

The accused are either naturalized American citizens or people with the status of permanent residents. In each instance, they entered the U.S. by lying about their Nazi pasts.

Three deportation cases are now in their final stages, with proceedings being directed against **Boleslavs Maikovskis, Kazys Palciauskas** and **Conrad Schellong.**

Maikovskis, 82, a senior police official in Latvia who is said to have ordered the burning of a village, was sentenced to death in abstentia by the Soviet Union in 1965. In 1985, 34 years after his arrival in the U.S., the Supreme Court paved the way for his deportation to Switzerland. But the Swiss government refused to accept him and he now faces deportation to the Soviet Union.

Maikovskis lives in Mineola, Long Island.

Palciauskas, of St. Petersburg, Fla., was mayor of the Lithuanian city of Kaunas from 1941 to 1942, during which time he began to place the Jewish population in a ghetto. According to his lawyers, he is the victim of a Soviet smear campaign. In entering the U.S., he told immigration authorities he had been an official in the meat and milk ministry.

Schellong, a German, immigrated to Chicago in 1957, claiming he had been "only a soldier" in the Wehrmacht. In fact, he was a guard in two concentration camps — Dachau and Sachsenburg. In 1982, he was stripped of his American citizenship.

CRITICISM OF ISRAEL

No doubt emboldened by Israel's incredible blunders and insensitivity in the Jonathan Jay Pollard spy case, Jews in the U.S. are more willing than ever to criticize Israel, an American Jewish Committee survey has found.

It is still common to hear the tired refrain that Israel should only be criticized in private, within "the family," because public reproaches allegedly serve Israel's enemies. But, judging by the survey, 63% reject that advice and only 22% agree with it.

It also emerged that 57% of the 1,133 respondents maintain strong or moderate attachments to Israel and express deep concerns for its welfare.

Interestingly enough, Orthodox Jews showed far stronger levels of involvement with Israel than Conservative or Reform Jews.

BACKGROUNDER

Is John Polanyi, the renowned University of Toronto chemist, Jewish? The question arose after Polanyi won last year's Nobel Prize. The curiosity about his background came up because Polanyi's father, a noted scientist, left Germany after the Nazis assumed power, leading some people to deduce that he had been Jewish.

In a recent edition of the U of T's Alumnus Magazine, Polanyi clears up the conundrum, at least to some degree. In a letter, he notes that his Hungarian-born father resigned his post in Berlin "in protest against Nazi racial legislation, and emigrated with his family to England — a fortunate move since his Jewish ancestry would have made him a victim of the latter's madness."

He adds: "I came permanently to Canada in 1956 to join the faculty of the U of T. I added a Canadian wife of Scottish-Latvian descent to the cultural patchwork of my life, and learned to love new landscapes... My hope is that I am now sufficiently hyphenated to be accepted as Canadian."

BIG BUSINESS AND THE NAZIS

Henry Ashby Turner Jr., a professor of history at Yale University, claims in *German Big Business & The Rise of Hitler (Oxford University Press, $16.50 paperback)* that leading German capitalists did not play a significant role in Hitler's acquisition of power.

Turner's thesis, based on exhaustive research, runs contrary to conventional wisdom. Still, it is a lucid and persuasive book, bound to shake up the field of modern German historiography.

Ashby acknowledges that a good part of the business community contributed materially to the consolidation of Hitler's regime after he became chancellor. But he claims that the Nazis received "relatively little support from that quarter" in the years before 1933.

Business antagonistic

Big business, he writes, was generally antagonistic to Hitler. Most of its leaders were not thrilled by his promise to create a new elite, and they were offended by the Nazis' anti-capitalist and "plebian tone."

Furthermore, they were not enamored of its anti-semitism. As he puts it: ..."whatever other prejudices the leading men of German big business harbored, that form of bigotry was rare in their ranks."

Ashby says that Hitler "spoke with a forked tongue" insofar as his anti-semitic policies were concerned, often "tailoring his words" to fit his audience. Hitler would downplay his anti-semitism and convey the impression that "patriotic" German Jews would not be affected by his measures. He would proceed against the "Jewish predominance in the state," not against Jews as such.

Implicit in all this is that big business was prepared to accept mild anti-Jewish legislation... legislation that would be totally unacceptable in any decent, democratic country. By inference, the leaders of German industry were ready to make sacrificial lambs of the Jews. That appears to have escaped the usually penetrating gaze of the author.

A Jewish settlement on the West Bank. Should UJA and JNF fund projects in the occupied areas? Some American Jews say yes.

FUNDING CONTROVERSY

As a matter of policy, the United Jewish Appeal and the Jewish National Fund in the U.S. do not fund projects in the occupied territories, fearing they would endanger their tax-exempt status with the Internal Revenue Service.

Recently, Senator Patrick Moynihan of New York, a staunch supporter of Israel, informed UJA and JNF that this is simply not so and that they are free to determine where the funds will go, the Baltimore Jewish Times reports.

Neither organization has acted on his interpretation. But several major Zionist organizations, among them Herut and the National Council of Young Israel, are considering adopting resolutions requiring UJA and JNF to financially support projects beyond the old green line.

The resolutions would support the "process of land reclamation, the restoration of ancient Jewish cities and the renewal of honorable Jewish life."

It is doubtful whether UJA and JNF will adopt them, even if passed. As long as the U.S. officially defines Israel by its pre-1967 frontiers, American fund raisers are not likely to rock the boat and thereby jeopardize projects in Israel.

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Jewish community treds cautiously in Argentina

CJN staff reporter PAUL LUNGEN recently participated in a 10-day visit to Argentina, sponsored by Aerolineas Argentinas, the country's national air carrier. Along with five reporters from U.S. Jewish publications and four representatives of American Jewish organizations, Lungen met with spokespeople from Argentine Jewish groups, members of the Argentine government and toured the country in what may be the first "Jewish mission to Argentina." Here is the first of an occasional series on his trip.

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BUENOS AIRES —

Ten hours flying time south of New York City where the La Plata River drains into the South Atlantic is Buenos Aires, centre for arts, business and politics in Argentina. With hundreds of buildings that emulate a Parisian style and shops featuring the latest in fashion, Buenos Aires projects a sophisticated, worldly air.

As capital of one of a poor continent's richest nations, Buenos Aires is dotted with handsome public buildings and monuments. There are statues honoring heroes of the country's 19th century struggle for independence and many ornate fountains, buildings, streets and boulevards that proudly recall the country's past.

But the beautiful symbols of the past are marred by reminders of the current political turmoil. Almost all the monuments and buildings are covered in graffiti. Not the pointless sort that vandals daub throughout New York City, but graffiti with a message: a constant barrage of slogans that condemn the country's military or which call on the democratic government to prosecute the army murderers and torturers who terrorized the country through the period euphemistically referred to as "the Process."

Buenos Aires is a vibrantly political city, with the widespread graffiti only the most apparent manifestation of it.

A scant 3½ years after the military, in the wake of the Falklands debacle, galloping inflation and a huge foreign debt, gave way to the democratically-elected civilian government led by President Raul Alfonsin's Radical Party, grave questions that touch the heart of the new democracy are still being hotly debated.

Should the government have pushed through the "Due Obedience" legislation that allows most of the officers who murdered and tortured an estimated 10,000 victims avoid paying for their crimes?

Should a fledgling democracy demand an accounting of these soldiers and police or do the risks of a civil war and a possible return of a military dictatorship require that old wounds be left unhealed and criminals go unpunished?

Can there be a future for an effective civilian government when it bows to military pressure, first to create a statute of limitations on the military's crimes (the Final Point law) and then to make most officers immune from further prosecutions (the Due Obedience legislation)?

Living in the midst of the seething and still volatile Argentine body politic is a well organized and openly Zionist Jewish community of 250,000 — one of the world's largest Diaspora communities.

And like their Argentine neighbors, the issues of the day touch deeply the Jewish community, both at organizational and personal levels.

Many "desparacidos" — those who disappeared during the military's reign of terror from 1976-83 — were Jews. Jews could be counted among the disappeared in numbers far greater than their position in Argentine society would warrant. At less than 1% of the country's 30 million people, they accounted for 5-10% of the disappeared.

The mothers, grandmothers and relatives of the disappeared still march each Thursday in front of the president's offices at the Plaza de Mayo, calling on the government to live up to its promises to tell them what happened to their children. Their spokespeople, some of them Jews, reserve harsh criticism for the government for giving in to what they call the military's blackmail. Some criticize the DAIA, the most visible Jewish organization, for not pursuing the question of the disappeared with enough vigor and for not having done enough during the Process to help the victims.

The DAIA, a federation of 120 Jewish organizations that acts as the public voice for the combined community, treads carefully in its statements about the last 11 years of Argentine history. Its officers are outspoken in placing the community squarely behind Argentine democracy, but they are as wary as they are outspoken when the questions of "Due Obedience" and "the Process" come up.

In a country where the military remains convinced they acted correctly in attacking what it perceived as a leftist threat and which bridles at the thought that some of these "patriots" might be jailed for their part in the "dirty war," a return to dictatorship is a very real possibility.

Conversations with spokespeople of DAIA, the Latin American Jewish Congress and AMIA (the communal organization that deals with internal Jewish social matters), leave a clear impression that their concern is that words spoken now could come back to haunt the community.

But that concern hasn't stopped other Jewish organizations and individuals from being more outspoken. Represenatives of Hebraica, Argentina's largest Jewish social, cultural and sports organization with 20,000 members, said they were more vocal in expressing the opinions of its members and for adopting positions that go beyond those taken by DAIA.

Only a few months ago, reacting to what it saw as a vacillating position taken by DAIA, Hebraica sponsored a newspaper ad responding to anti-semitic statements made by one of the country's Catholic bishops.

Monsignor Plaza had stated publicly that only Jews were members of the government. (Other far rightists had termed Alfonsin's party "the Radical Synagogue" because it and the government included Jews.)

DAIA's "mild declaration" in response was insufficient, Hebraica's leaders determined, and one week later they issued a statement saying the bishop was "one of the originators of the Argentine fascists." Alfonsin repeated the declaration, Hebraica treasurer Dr. Abraham Liberson said, a declaration DAIA had branded too strong.

For Hebraica, that wasn't the first time it had responded to overt anti-semitism. Seven years ago, recalled Alberto Senderey, Hebraica's executive director, a cinema run by the Centre was bombed. Hebraica went public with an ad proudly proclaiming its Jewishness and saying the theatre would reopen. Another bombing two years later prompted a similar response.

"We have to show we are proud to be Jewish and must stand up for it," Senderey said. Children are influenced by that sort of public response, he added.

B'nai B'rith District 26 has also opted to make its own public statements when it feels they are warranted. Like DAIA and Hebraica, B'nai B'rith actively attempts to strengthen democratic life in Argentina. According to its president, Samuel Kaplan, district 26 has made public statements "against discrimination, against terrorist acts and against the possibility of the establishment of a PLO office."

The organization, which has about 800 members, recently denounced the establishment in Bolivia of a PLO office carrying diplomatic status, the first of its kind in Latin America.

B'nai B'rith publicly voiced its disapproval in late 1986 of the Final Point law while DAIA went through lengthy discussions to determine what stand, if any, it would take, Kaplan said. DAIA eventually didn't reach any consensus, he added. (None of the Jewish organizations has yet made any public comments about "Due Obedience.")

DAIA's executive recognizes that a reappraisal of its role during the Process is in order. Dr. David Goldberg, DAIA president for the past two years, agrees there is a need to examine the organization's history.

"It's a very delicate subject," he said. "There's much passion in it."

Several meetings have been held in attempts to analyze the DAIA's role during the terror. They were marred by "passionate accusations" and an absence of "cold analysis." No definitive study has yet been completed," Goldberg said.

But Goldberg is quick to defend DAIA's record: "When someone says the Jewish community or DAIA or the Israel embassy did not do, I can say from the depth of my conscience that all three did a lot, very much, but not enough."

He now points proudly to legislation criminalizing anti-semitism which DAIA is promoting.

The Latin American Jewish Congress echoes DAIA's relatively cautious approach to the contemporary political scene. Dr. Edgardo Gorenberg, secretary general of Congress, said the question of due obedience by the military to civilian authority is a national problem, not a strictly a Jewish one.

He argued the Jewish community is not in a position to be heroes, but must continue to "survive with dignity."

Amalia Polack, president of WIZO in Argentina and vice president of DAIA, echoed Gorenberg's views. The due obedience law doesn't specifically affect the Jewish community, she said.

Argentina, she told Canadian and American visitors, is not a pluralistic society. It has a strong Catholic and Indian tradition and an authoritarian heritage acquired from its Spanish colonizers and German immigrants. The president and vice president must, by law, be Catholics and Catholicism is the country's official religion.

Sometimes it's not safe to be too outspoken and to air opinions that could eventually be used against the community, she suggested.

Jewish organizations are grappling with the problem of finding a place for Jews in the Argentine "social laboratory," she said. "We are still in the development process...trying to grow up and be a democratic country."

Though Hebraica has spoken out on issues when DAIA remained silent, it does not see itself as an alternative political voice, according to its president, Mario Trumper. DAIA continues to speak for Argentine Jews, he said, but the Jewish community must have "different voices to express itself with different readings of reality."

In openly critical remarks about DAIA, Trumper suggested its 60-year-old structure was out of date in light of contemporary situations.

He also criticized its makeup, noting that Hebraica, with its 20,000 members, has the same vote in the DAIA federation as that of "seven people on a stump."

Adds Dr. Abraham Lieberson, Hebraica's treasurer, AMIA represents only Ashkenazim. Sephardim, who make up 30% of Argentina's Jewish population, have their own "kehilla" (communal and fund raising organization).

Up to 10 years ago, he added , AMIA's internal discussions were conducted in Yiddish and the average age of the leadership was in the 70s. And AMIA, he adds, is the main force behind DAIA.

Hebraica's activist political stance is reflected in the programs it offers. There are regular panel discussions on the state of Argentine politics and these date back to the pre-democratic era when round table discussions included speakers who now find themselves in the Argentine government, including Alfonsin.

Youngsters carrying the Hebraica banner took to the streets recently as part of a massive public demonstration against the due obedience law, prior to it being adopted. Many of the mothers of the Plaza de Mayo also participated in the demonstrations which attracted 10,000.

Juanita de Pargament, whose son was abducted in 1976 and not heard from again, was one of those protesting. She is a regular participant in the Thursday marches at the Plaza de Mayo. Each week from 200-500 take part, and sometimes as many as 10,000 fill the square.

Pargament, treasurer for the Mothers, accuses Alfonsin of caving in to the military's demands. The president did not live up to his promise to make full disclosures about the fate of the missing and, in the wake of the military's threatened revolt at Easter, he has agreed to a full amnesty for the killers, she charged.

Pargament's disappointment is palpable. She wants justice for those whose crimes cannot be justified as acts of war. Eleven years ago, nine men broke down the door to her 31-year-old son's apartment. When they found documents showing her son had traveled to Israel, "because they are all anti-semites, Nazis, fascists they said 'you must give him more punishment.' "

Rene Epelbaum is one of the best known spokespeople for mothers who lost children. Three of hers "disappeared" during the terror. Epelbaum travels around the world to publicize the plight of parents who don't know what happened to their children and to demand justice.

One of the mothers whose children "disappeared" during the military reign of terror, at a demonstration in the Plaza de Mayo. [Paul Lungen photo]

She points to the fact that at the height of the "dirty war" the mothers were among the very few to publicly denounce the military government despite fears for their own safety. She and the other mothers refused to be intimidated by the military, whose often random arrests were aimed at "terrorizing the people."

That may be what quieted DAIA, she surmised. In 1977 the son of DAIA's president was kidnapped and released four days later. DAIA's work for the disappeared abruptly changed at that point. "This coincidence is quite meaningful," she said.

The Israeli embassy did what it could, she added, but only for those at risk, some of whom quietly departed for Israel. Others, already in the hands of kidnappers, were beyond the reach of the embassy.

Epelbaum echoes an apparently popular strain in opposing the army amnesty. Ninety percent of Argentines oppose giving in to the "mafia in uniform," she contends.

"This is not only political suicide, but the military have behaved like blackmailers, menacing a coup," she said. She predicted they would only escalate their demands as a result of the government's conciliatory attitude towards them.

She noted that at the time of the Easter mutiny the U.S. government made clear its support for the constitutional government. The Canadian government "didn't say anything. They should not only show support for the constitutional government, but should say they would not recognize an administration that results from a coup," she said.

Tilsa Albani heads an organization called *Relatives of the Disappeared and Detained for Political Reasons in Argentina*. The 11-year-old organization represents 3,000 families of the disappeared.

It gathers testimony and documentation for potential trials, provides counseling for the families who lost loved ones and sets aside money raised internationally for pensions for the families.

Albani, a lawyer by profession, criticizes, almost sadly, the government's policy vis-a-vis the military. The armed services will be more powerful after the amnesty, she warned. Instead of giving in to them, they should be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Predictably, government spokesmen choose to accentuate its accomplishments. At a brief and tightly controlled news conference, Vice President Victor Martinez called his country "a brand new Argentina" where there is no racial discrimination and where no acts of terrorism have occurred in the past 3½ years. All groups and individuals have the right to free expression, he said.

Marcello Stubrin, a Jewish member of the Chamber of Deputies (the equivalent of the U.S. House of Representatives) and considered a rising star, acknowledges there are "uncertainties" about the Argentine future. But there are many in the country who support democracy and respect for human rights.

Anti-semitism, he said, was no more dangerous than in Western countries such as the U.S., France or West Germany. He noted that 15 out of 254 deputies were Jews.

In Cordoba, a city one hour flying time west of Buenos Aires, Jewish leaders agreed that under the democracy, there was now a place for Jews in politics and in prestigious positions such as the dean of some faculties. At the university in Cordoba, the dean of the law school was both the first Jew and the first woman to hold that position in its history.

David Goldberg, president of DAIA (left) and Luis Perelmuter, who heads AMIA. [Paul Lungen photo]

Opinion

Australia, New Zealand alarmed

Gadhafi casts eyes, ambitions on the South Pacific

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Muammar Gadhafi, Libya's restless leader, is eyeing the remote South Pacific as an area where he can increase his influence.

Gadhafi's interest in that vast region has alarmed Australia and New Zealand, the chief Western powers in the South Pacific.

Early last month, Australia closed the Libyan embassy in Canberra. Bob Hawke, the prime minister, claimed he had "compelling and incontrovertible evidence" that the Libyans had meddled in Australian internal affairs by offering funds for a separate aboriginal nation.

Gadhafi denied the charge, but Hawke insisted that Libyan diplomats had engaged in "destabilizing activities."

Hawke took action against the Libyans after Michael Mansell, a radical aboroginal leader, attended a conference in Libya and later declared that Gadhafi was prepared to help aborigines set up an independent state. Aborigines, who claim they have been oppressed by Australian society, constitute 2% of Australia's population.

Hawke had been greatly concerned about Libyan intentions even before ordering the closure of the Libyan embassy. In April, Australian intelligence gave Hawke a report about Libyan "subversive activities" in the South Pacific. Not long afterward, Foreign Minister Bill Hayden flew to New Zealand to discuss the matter with Prime Minister David Lange, who has said that extremist Maoris in New Zealand have visited Libya and undergone "low level bodyguard training."

B.B. Hawke

Australia is jittery because, as Hawke said, "Libya's record of subversion and terrorism justifies the gravest concern." The Australians have been monitoring the Libyans closely since 1979, the year the king of Tonga visited Tripoli and returned with a promise of cut-price oil and a $3 million loan to upgrade Tonga's airport. The deals never came to fruition, but the publicity surrounding them enabled Libya to make contacts throughout the South Pacific.

Clearly, Gadhafi's strategy is to support any group or personality able to exercise a disruptive influence on Western-leaning politicians in the South Pacific.

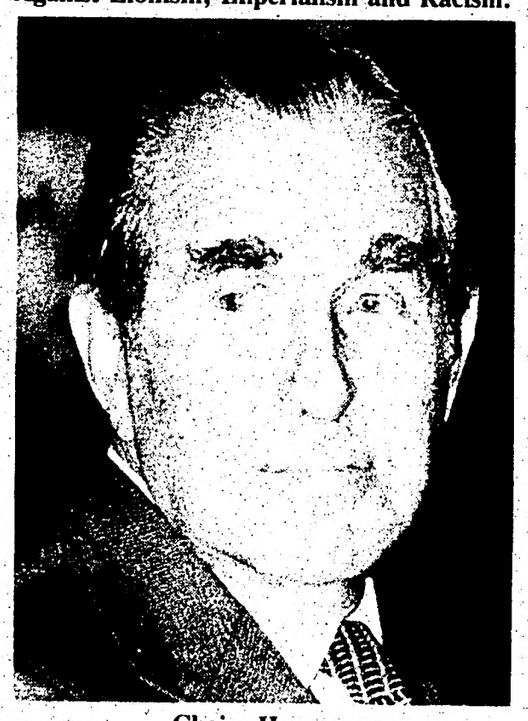
But Gadhafi, whose hatred of Israel remains undimmed, is also interested in blackening Israel's image there. A few months ago, Libya's state TV reported that a Libyan foreign minister had been dismissed because he had failed to disrupt the late 1986 Pacific tour of Israeli President Chaim Herzog, who met with representatives of Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Tonga and the Marshall Islands.

For all his efforts, Gadhafi has been unable to undercut Israel's modest presence in the South Pacific. Israel's relationship with Australia and New Zealand is on a firm footing, and its relations with most of the island states, particularly Fiji, are good. According to Herzog, more than 150 trainees from various parts of the South Pacific are currently studying at Israeli technical institutes.

Muammar Gadhafi

In his attempt to expand his influence in the South Pacific, Gadhafi has focused on several islands — Vanuatu (formerly the British/French condominium of New Hebrides), New Caledonia and Papua New Guinea.

Vanuatu is fairly fertile ground for Gadhafi's brand of radicalism. It is the only country in the region to belong to the non-alignment movement and it was the first Pacific state to grant fishing rights to the Soviet Union. In 1986, Vanuatu's foreign minister, Sela Molissa, attended Gadhafi's World Conference Against Zionism, Imperialism and Racism.

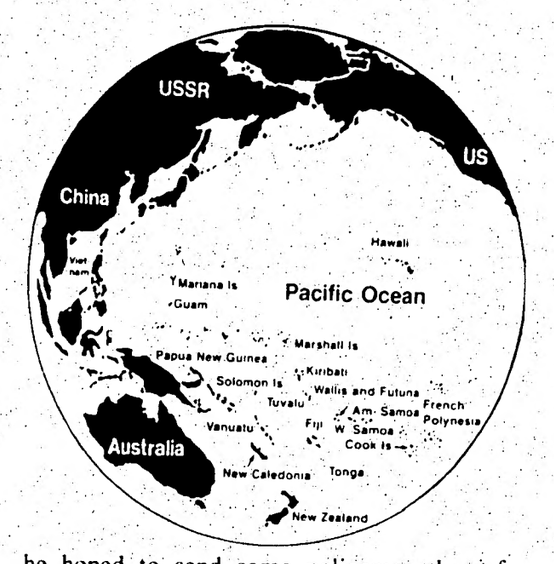


Chaim Herzog

Shortly after last year's U.S. air strike against Libya, the Vanuatu government sent Gadhafi "deep condolences for the loss and suffering that your people are facing as a result of United States armed aggression against your country in complete defiance of international law." The message assured Libya of "our continued solidarity with you at this critical hour."

Libya and Vanuatu agreed to establish diplomatic relations a year after the punishing raid. But about two months ago, following an Australian allegation that Libya was trying to turn Vanuatu into a base from which it would seek to destabilize the South Paific, complications set in when the prime minister, Walter Lini, announced that Libya would not be permitted to open a mission in the capital, Port-Vila. This happened after two Libyan diplomats arrived in Port-Vila without the permission of the government.

Despite this setback, Libyan influence in Vanuatu is not at an end. Lini said that Vanuatu's relations with Libya would continue and added that



he hoped to send some policemen there for paramilitary training.

In New Caledonia, Libya has stirred up trouble by training indigenous Melanesians, known as Kanaks, in their struggle against French colonial administration.

And in Papua New Guinea, Gadhafi has promised rebels arms and financial assistance. In preying on these South Pacific islands, Gadhafi is trying to take advantage of their economic vulnerability.

Experts say the islands have the worst long-term prospects in the developing world. "There is no possibility of creating a viable economy on these islands — none," says David Routledge, a University of the South Pacific historian.

The islands, which are well suited to a subsistence economy, can sell little but agricultural products, postage stamps, fishing rights and tourism on the world market. Consequently, there is usually a big gap between the hard currency coming in and the sums that are needed for imported goods and general development.

"Today we exist mostly on (foreign) aid," Walter Lini said recently in an interview with The New York Times. "If we are not careful, we will continue to rely on aid instead of developing a few resources we have."

As matters now stand, the South Pacific islands receive more foreign aid per capita than any other region on the globe. According to economists, they may never emerge from their dependency on such aid. And as long as that remains the case, Libya will no doubt continue to hover over them like a ravenous vulture.

Jews called "root of evil"

Arab press radiates anti-Israel hate

By
CARL ALPERT

One who scans the Israel press will have little difficulty finding ample expression of so-called liberal views, calling for a spirit of amity toward the Arabs, withdrawal from occupied territory, conciliation and concession, all in the name of peace with our Moslem neighbors. These views are echoed in feature articles, editorials, columns and letters to the editor.

Certainly the stage would appear to be set for a harmonious meeting of minds, and a willingness to put antagonisms aside, introducing a new era of peace and tranquility in the Middle East.

That is the situation on this side. But those who systematically study the Arab press search in vain for even the faintest echo of similar views. To the contrary, the hostile statements uttered by Arafat and his cronies in the various PLO factions are picked up and amplified in a torrent of hate that the Arab newspapers feed their readers day after day and week after week. Following are but a few representative samples of many hundreds of similar expressions in recent weeks and months.

These do not make very pleasant reading, but it is important that we know what they think of us and what they say and write about us — meaning not only Israelis, but Jews everywhere as well.

"Jews the Root of Evil" is the title of a full-length article by Dr. Muhammad Ibn Sa'ad Al-Shnia'r published in the Saudi Arabian paper, Al-Djazira. Choice extracts: "Jews, cursed by Allah in many places in the Koran . . . spread conflict everywhere and seek only to do evil. . . . They violate pledges, lie, seek to steal the wealth of others and do them harm. . . . The Protocols of the Elders of Zion reflects their plans to corrupt society. . . . They distribute drugs to destroy people's minds. . . . The goal always justifies their means. . . . In their knavery and their frauds they are behind all bad things, and are Satan on earth. . . ."

The Egyptian paper, Sawt Al-Arab, quotes approvingly from a book on the Jews: "Any solution (of the conflict with Israel) that does not restore the status as of 1948, or even prior to 1918, must be rejected out of hand. Solutions that do not call for elimination of the existence of Israel, have no place in any scientific discussion."

Libya is looking to undermine Western interests

Libya, which has intervened in the affairs of many African and Arab countries, has cast an eye on the region mainly because it wants to undermine Western interests there. The island mini states of the South Pacific, which were coveted by Japan before World War II, lie astride key trade routes — North America-Australia and Japan-Australia — and they are important in providing the West with splash-down points for emergency landings of space flights, says the publication Focus on Libya.

Furthermore, France maintains an underground nuclear testing site on the Mururoa Atoll, while the U.S. has a major missile testing monitoring station in the Marshall Islands.

At a recent Conference of Revolutionary and Progressive Forces in the Pacific, held in the Libyan coastal town of Misratch, Gadhafi told delegates that he considered the South Pacific "part of the single front... to confront imperialism everywhere."

"Only force can deter the Zionists" — Syrian journal

The revelation that "the gangster government of Israel" has set as a cornerstone of its strategy the eventual seizure and control of Saudi Arabia, comes from Muhammad Al-Rifa'i, writing in the Syrian journal, Tishrin. "Only force can deter the Zionists from their ambitions."

The Egyptian paper, Al-Nur, reprints an article which had first been published in October, 1973, calling for the emergence in the Islamic world of a "Moslem Hitler to uproot Israel from the heart of the Arab world. . . ."

The First Terrorists is the name of a book warmly reviewed in Cairo's Al-Akhbar. The author makes the point that the Arabs had never been terrorists, but terror had been introduced into the area by the bearers of the Talmud and the Protocols of the Elders of Zion. These documents have determined the way of life for the Children of Israel throughout history.

Papers in Jordan frequently use pithy cartoons to make their point. Premier Shamir is often pictured wearing a swastika armband; in one such caricature he is shown presiding over a pile of human skulls.

It should come as no surprise that Austria's Kurt Waldheim is something of a hero in the Arab world. Al-Rai, of Jordan, urges other Arab lands to follow Hussein's example, and invite the Austrian president to visit them.

Muhammad Abd Al-Salam Al-Zayyat, writing in Cairo's Al-Mawqif Al-Arabi, declares that "the terrorist, Peres, covers his face with a camouflage of fake peace, while in effect there is no difference between him and Shamir."

In another article, the same paper reminds its readers that the Jews "kill prophets," and the Koran warns against "their fanaticism, their racism, their miserliness and their hypocrisy." Cairo's Al-Wia'a Al-Islami notes that the Jews of today, like those of old, were raised on "cunning, deceit, treachery and the doing of injustice."

In Egypt's A-Nur, Prof. Sabri Nur urges that the conflict be changed from one between Israelis and Arabs, to one between Islam and Judaism.

The Saudi Arabian paper, Al-Djazira, cites the Protocols of Zion to prove that the Jews are the source of all terror in the world, and even the father of Nazism.

Day after day after day the Arab press in many countries feeds this sort of venom to its readers. In this kind of atmosphere how difficult it is for idealistic, well-meaning Israelis or Jews abroad to be sweet, conciliatory and compromising. What realistic Jew can make sacrifices and concessions for the sake of "peace" when we see what strident voices in the Arab world really mean when they talk about peace.

Opinion

A Hot Summer? Why, when I was young . . .

By
J. B. SALSBERG

For the last couple of weeks the southern regions of Ontario and Quebec have experienced, what the present pampered generation calls, "un unbelievable heat wave." And, although I smile benignly at such complaining youngsters, I cannot help but think how little they know of real, genuine heat waves. Why, when I was as young as they are now . . .

J. B. Salsberg

Yes, yes, yes, I know that through the ages the older generations had the tendency to belittle current experiences by comparing them with the "monumental" experiences of their own youth. Like, "You call this a snowfall? When I was your age the snowfalls brought the city to a total standstill." Or, "You call this a thunderstorm? Why, when I was young we had storms that flooded the entire city." And so on, and on.

But, when it comes to sweltering heat spells the present generation of young people is totally incapable of comprehending what a genuine heat wave meant only a generation or two ago.

Why, when I was their age (or younger) there was no such thing as air conditioning or private or community operated open-air swimming pools. People, instead of shutting their doors and windows, not to compete with their air-conditioners (as we do nowadays) used to open all doors and windows in the hope that a fatigued breeze would enter through them.

In those really hot days, the city of Toronto ran special street cars that gave free rides to children that wanted to reach swimming beaches.

There were no refrigerators in homes either in those days. Icemen, with horse and wagons, or trucks, would deliver chunks of ice to the ice-boxes in every kitchen. As the ice would slowly liquify the water would be collected into the utensils placed underneath those boxes. Often the emptying of those containers would be forgotten and one would find the kitchen floor covered with water in the morning . . .

But, most houses did have verandas in those days and they were filled, after sunset, by the residents to enjoy the "fresh air" while fanning themselves with paper fans.

In New York, Jewish immigrants who filled the Lower East Side "tenement buildings" used to sleep on the flat roofs of the tenements during the worst heat waves. In fact, New York Yiddish theatres of that day popularized a song, called "Zymer bei nacht oif the decher" (summer nights on the roof tops) that evoked many innuendos and snickers among the immigrants.

In Toronto, when hit by a sweltering heat, our immigrant parents and their children (that's us) would often congregate in the evenings in Queen's Park with blankets and pillows and stay there until late at night before returning to their homes.

I remember distinctly one unbearably hot period in the 30s (1936?) when hundreds of Jewish families spent an entire night on the Exhibition lakefront in the hope of getting some relief from the heat and, hopefully, some sleep.

That's what I call heatwaves and that's what I call pioneering ways of coping with such heat-waves!

If such good, old heat spells occured during the weekends our brave ancestors would take to the Islands in droves for the whole of Sunday. It was, I assure you, an unforgettable experience to be part of the migration of the fledgling Jewish Canadians (most of whom lived downtown), wend their way to the Island boats.

They came, in biblical terminology, with their wives, children, baby carriages, laden with bundles of food, tea-kettles (hot water was available in the islands), blankets and all the necessities for infants. What a pleasant sight to recall!

Of course, as the summers followed one another the Jewish scene also changed. The well-to-do, the "allrightnicks," found relief from the summer heat on the western shores of Lake Simcoe. Jackson's Point became increasingly more settled with Jewish summer guests.

Lesser "allrightnicks" became summer guests of the legendary Moyshe Yookle and others in Pontypool. As for the Jewish working class it established "summer camps" for children and adults. On weekends those "camps" received large numbers of "weekenders," especially on Sundays, who came to visit their children, or friends who were "campers." In time they acquired cottages of their own in the adult sections of the children's camp.

Somewhat later privately operated children's camps sprang into being while their parents sought relief from the summer heat in Jewish summer resorts in Lake Simcoe or Muskoka. All-in-all those social developments helped to reduce the hardships of good, old, hot summers. And then . . .

Then, came a number of uncontrollable factors. Science, invention and technology joined to totally transform the country and, of course, our Jewish community.

Everything became air-conditioned! Homes, workplaces, transportation, shopping areas, lost the feel of summer. Children are sent to camps, swimming facilities are available everywhere so who knows of summer scorchers now?

So, don't complain to me about "scorchers." What do you, youngsters, know about real summer heat waves? But, when I was young . . .

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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"UPDATE OUR KOSHER LAWS"

Kosher food means fit food. For hundreds of years kosher food equalled wholesome food.

Historically, Jews did not eat shellfish or pig. Aside from esoteric reasons, pork and shellfish were considered unfit for health reasons.

In recent times, the addition to our food of artificial preservatives, sweeteners, colorings, herbicides and pesticides should require a reevaluation of *what* is kosher.

Today, it is questionable whether many kosher-labelled foods are either traditional or healthy.

Moses Maimonides wrote in *The Guide for the Perplexed*, "The general object of the (Jewish) Law is twofold: the wellbeing of the soul and the wellbeing of the body."

If kosher foods are to have meaningful appeal now and in the 21st century, the definition of kosher must be updated.

Kosher foods must be free of harmful ingredients. This includes anything that is artificial (colorings, preservatives or sweeteners) or is thought to cause cancer or promote other diseases.

The standards for the kosher label should be *higher* than the Food and Drug Administration. Foods with the kosher label should be in the forefront of the health food industry.

The kosher tradition of a quality food product should be revitalized. In this way our great heritage will continue.

Peter Singer
San Diego, Calif.

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LET POPE RECOGNIZE ISRAEL

The world Jewish community was gratified when Pope John Paul II, on his recent trip to West Germany, condemned Nazism and anti-semitism and understandably expressed shock at the activities that took place under the rule of the Nazis.

It comes as an incomprehensible shock that the Holy See would agree to receive Austrian President Kurt Waldheim on an official state visit.

The justification for allowing such a visit is that it is reciprocal, on a diplomatic basis, because the Pope visited Austria.

It is worth noting that, since the creation of Israel in 1948, the Vatican has not extended diplomatic recognition to the State of Israel. It is the only state in the Middle East that protects religious freedom, and in particular, the religious sites sacred to the followers of the Christian faith.

There is a patent contradiction that can best be remedied by the Vatican at long last extending diplomatic recognition to the State of Israel. It should have happened long ago, without relying on some perverse diplomatic obligation between Austria and the Vatican.

Bert Raphael
Toronto

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WANTS A CANADIAN YESHIVA

Re your June 18 article, "Female cantor ordination said part of emancipation."

I found most deplorable the reply by Dr. Ismar Schorsch, chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, to the Canadian Conservative cantors' opposition to the admission of women to the cantorate.

Dr. Schorsch said he has "every intention of steering the seminary along a centrist path."

I can only suggest again that the observant section of the Conservative movement now has no choice but to split away from the JTS.

Why not start a new movement in Canada, where the many large and wealthy Conservative congregations should be well-suited and able to support their own yeshiva and where, hopefully, rabbis will be trained to respect halacha and tradition?

Peter W. Bruckstein
Toronto

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O, OUR MOUTH-WATERING NEWS!

O, this swift, modern age that enables us to keep in touch with our Jewish brethren!

I thought you'd like to know belatedly how my husband and I — here on this remote island of Ibiza in the Baleares of Spain — were able to enjoy The Canadian Jewish News during Passover.

How our mouths watered, as we read the ease, variety and prices in the adverts. We had the same facilities once as U.K. residents. But now, to obtain any strictly kosher Passover foods meant an 11-hour boat ride at night in storm-lashed seas to Barcelona — only to discover that the 3,000 strong community there had but matzohs, meal (French), wine (Israeli) and meat in total for its members.

For us, to obtain what was necessary to give many Jews here the first seder of their lives (we being strictly kosher Shomrei Shabbat ourselves) meant frantic calls to our children in Israel.

Which was how your newspaper finally arrived here, being avidly perused amongst the little community that we have formed, consisting of Marranos, as well as Jews from all over the world.

Gloria Mound
Ibiza
Baleares
Spain

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BRAVO, LEIB AND FANNY

On behalf of Toronto Hadassah-WIZO, I want to thank you for the excellent article about our recent installation dinner.

We were proud on that evening to honor seven major contributors to our projects in Israel.

Unfortunately, one important name was omitted from the article.

We would like you to be aware that Leib and Fanny Pillersdorf were also honored that evening for their very generous donation.

Taube Zeifman
Toronto

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RUSSIAN STAMP SWAPPER

I have been asked by Manfred Zoref of the Soviet Union to find Canadians who would be willing to exchange stamps with him. His address is: 2-37 Karla Marksa, Kishinev, Moldser, USSR.

Herman Landau
Toronto

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Reader claims ethnic humor by Emcee Kenneth Mucha in La Cage comedy revue is distasteful; other disagree.

SAYS SHOW MOCKS ETHNICS

I'd like to share with your readers a letter I recently sent to its producers, objecting to the distasteful material in *An Evening At La Cage*, the musical revue at Toronto's new La Cage Dinner Theatre:

I feel compelled to express disdain at the repetitive ridicule in your show of ethnic groups — especially Italians and Jews.

Your master of ceremonies, Kenneth Mucha, was excellent. But his repertoire of jokes was limited and reinforces stereotyping of our minority groups.

Your show was strong enough without resorting to belittling comment. Kenneth's talent and spontaneity are obvious and great, but his ethnic jokes are objectionable.

Therefore we cannot and will not recommend your show to others.

Janet R. Fine
Toronto

Editor's note: A spokesman for La Cage Dinner Theatre states that Kenneth Mucha "is Jewish and proud of it." Furthermore, CJN theatre critic Frank Rasky, who gave the show a favorable review, states that Mucha was its outstanding performer: "In the tradition of all great comics and satirists, he pokes fun at the frailties of all groups, with wit and yet with affection."

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"TORIES SUFFER AMNESIA"

It is very disappointing that the Mulroney government has postponed the bill to prosecute Nazi war criminals until the fall.

This was very important legislation as a result of the Deschenes Commission and should not have been delayed.

I'm surprised that the Conservative House leader allowed two Tory backbenchers to hold this bill up. I'm sure they wouldn't allow them to delay the Constitution bill.

Obviously, the Mulroney government does NOT consider the Jewish community very important. As an example, five new federal citizenship judges were recently appointed from the Metro Toronto area from various ethnic groups. But the Jewish community was ignored.

In Metro Toronto, the Jewish population numbers about 120,000 and is important in at least a dozen ridings — especially St. Paul's, Willowdale and Don Valley East, where Barbara McDougall, John Oostrom and Bill Attewell were elected last time.

At election time the PC Party is very friendly, looking for workers and campaign contributions. But in between elections, the Conservatives seem to have amnesia.

S. Rogers
Toronto

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RABBI'S VIEWS NOT TWISTED

In his June 18 letter entitled "Don't blame the victims," Morton Manilla calls Rabbi Moshe Meiselman's treatment of the Holocaust a "perversion of Judaism."

Rabbi Meiselman's main point was that the Holocaust is an extremely complex issue — one that defies human comprehension.

While stressing the guilt of the Nazis, he entertains the notion that, on a collective level, failings of the Jewish people can cause God to hide his face from us.

Such theology is not "twisted and perverted," but rather is part of normative Judaism.

In the Musaf service of every festival, we recite "Because of our sins, we were exiled from our land."

The idea of responsibility for our own actions, both individually and collectively as a nation, does not "legitimize Jewish self-hatred," as Manilla claims, but rather should inspire us toward self-betterment.

This is the Jewish concept of *teshuva* (repentance), one of the noblest and most beautiful concepts that Judaism has to offer. Mr. Manilla's remarks about Rabbi Meiselman's theology were completely uncalled for.

Jerrold Landau
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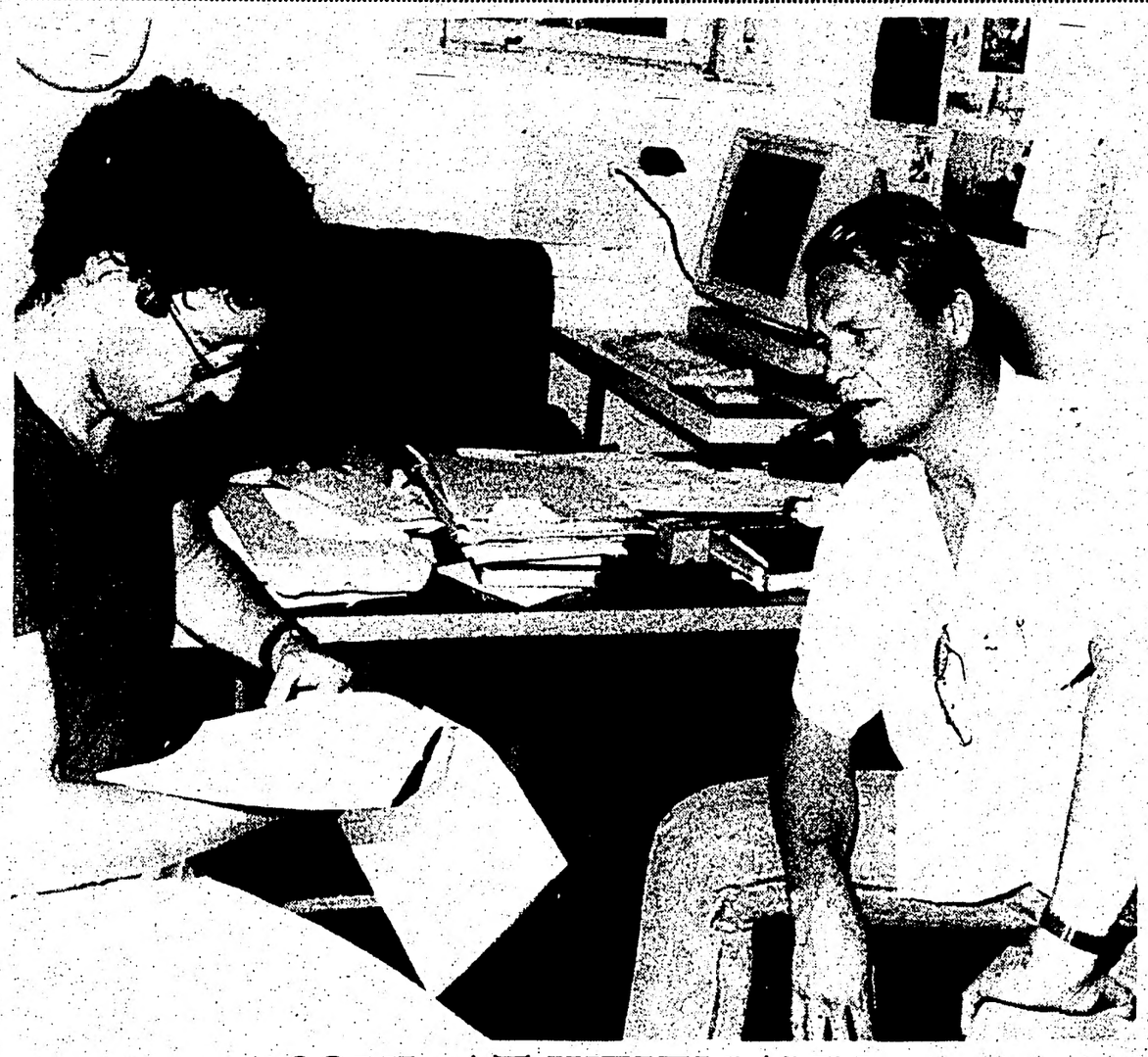


SOUL AT WEIZMANN

Film star David Soul (right), now in Israel for the production of Appointment with Death, took time off to visit with computer experts at the Weizmann Institute in Rehovot. He is interested in artificial intelligence, and is shown here discussing the subject with Dr. Ehud Shapiro.

Reserve general wants Arabs "transferred"

Expulsion call sparks furor

TEL AVIV (JPFS) — Reserve General Rehavam Ze'evi, former head of central command, has called for the expulsion of Palestinians from the occupied territories.

Speaking to the Moshe Dayan Political and Social Forum in Tel Aviv, Ze'evi said that the only way to make peace with the Arabs was to adopt a policy of "transfer" of the Arab population.

"Sadat did not come to Israel because he suddenly discovered the light of peace, but because he realized he had no military option left," he said.

Ze'evi disclosed that in 1955, then-Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion approved a plan for the occupation of the West Bank, then under Jordanian rule, to be implemented under the right circumstances.

Ze'evi's remarks sparked a wave of strong reactions. Knesset Members Yossi Sarid, of the Citizens' Rights Movement, and Mordechai Virshubski, of Shinui, called on the Tel Aviv municipality to fire the reserve general from his post as head of Ha'aretz Museum.

Reacting to the uproar, Ze'evi said he had mentioned the "transfer" idea as one of several possible solutions, and one that would be implemented after agreement was reached with the Arab states. He said he fully respected the rights of the Arab minority in Israel.

Likud Knesset Member Dan Meridor said that the ideology of the Herut movement, as inspired by the founder of Revisionist Zionism, Ze'ev Jabotinsky, ruled out the concept of forcible transfer of Arabs from Eretz Yisrael to countries beyond its borders.

Speaking in the Likud faction executive, Meridor said that the remarks by Ze'evi about transfer of Arabs as a possible solution to the Israel-Arab dispute were "a negative message."

Meridor said, however, that he favored the deportation of West Bank Arabs who incited to terror.

Israeli survey finds violence in many marriages

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — One out of every three divorced women in Israel was assaulted by her husband; one out of four Israelis knows a battered wife; and one out of five believes wife-beating is justified in some circumstances.

These are among the findings of a survey conducted by the Dahaf Institute for Na'amat, the women's organization.

Na'amat secretary-general Masha Lubelsky presented the findings at a seminar on violence between spouses held at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Among those who believe that wife-beating can sometimes be justified, 17% said infidelity would be a justification and 10% thought poor housekeeping was sufficient reason for violence. Both men and women expressed these opinions.

The survey included 1,209 participants, a representative sample of the country's adult population.

According to Lubelsky, only one-third of the public is aware that beating is a learned behavior and that the son of a battered mother has a high risk of becoming a battering husband.

Thirty per cent of the public erroneously believe that most of the husbands who beat their wives are mentally disturbed.

On the other hand, 80% know that wife beating is not prevalent among men with high self-confidence and strong personalities and is far more likely to be found among those with a poor self-image and a weak personality.

Misapprehensions on the subject are more common among the lower social strata, though wife beating is found at all levels of society.

Those in the lower strata, however, tend not to be aware that educated men with high incomes also beat their wives.

Venerated rabbi Ruderman dies

BALTIMORE (JTA) — Rabbi Yaakov Yitzchok HaLevi Ruderman, head of the Ner Israel Yeshiva in Baltimore and a senior member of the Council of Torah Sages of Agudath Israel, died here recently at the age of 87.

More than 6,000 mourners attended the funeral.

Ruderman's death was widely seen as the end of an era. He was the last survivor of the venerated Roshei Yeshiva who came to the U.S. from Lithuania early in the century.

Born in Dohlinov, near Vilna, Ruderman studied at the Slabodka Yeshiva and at the age of 19 authored the Avodas Levi, an in-depth analysis of some of the most complex issues of the Talmud.

He settled in Baltimore in 1933 and founded the Ner Israel Rabbinical College that year to train a new generation of Jewish religious leaders and educators.

As president and dean over the past 50 years, he ordained more than 1,000 rabbis. His advice and counsel was sought by Jewish leaders on a myriad of issues.

In addition to his position on the council of Torah Sages, Ruderman served as chairman of the Rabbinic Advisory Board of Torah Umesorah, the National Society for Hebrew Day Schools in the U.S. and Canada.

Sanctions decision deferred

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — The inner cabinet has indefinitely postponed a final decision on whether to impose sanctions against South Africa. Knowledgable observers suggested that "it may be a long time before it comes up for the vote."

The observers said that "indefinite postponement" of discussion of a matter is the usual way the inner cabinet shelves or buries a thorny subject.

Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin led the attack on the package of proposed sanctions recommended by a committee headed by foreign ministry political director-general Yossi Beilin.

Rabin argued that there was a lot of "international hypocrisy" over South Africa and there was no reason for Israel to be "holier than the pope."

Western Europe "talked a lot" but continued to do enormous business with Pretoria, Rabin said.

Industry and Trade Minister Ariel Sharon and Minister without Portfolio Moshe Arens both objected to various "technical" aspects of the Beilin document, calling for at least a delay in imposing sanctions.

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, sources said, "hardly defended the Beilin recommendations," and Shamir said nothing, his view having been accurately expressed by Rabin and several other ministers.

Many of the ministers felt that Beilin's recommendations "went too far."

Holocaust museum design approved

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The design for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum has been approved by the federal Commission of Fine Arts, clearing the way for construction to begin later this year.

The approval comes about a month after the museum's design was rejected for being too imposing. The commission objected to the museum's hexagonal-shaped memorial, the Hall of Remembrance, which they said protruded too far into the street.

Architect James Freed, of the firm of I. H. Pei, admitted that he initially thought that changing the memorial's design would destroy its symbolism. But by shrinking the size of the Hall of Remembrance, and placing it further into line with the adjacent government buildings, he created a design he liked even more.

"We now had an opportunity we didn't have before — namely a wonderful landscape. This could be a wonderful urban garden on the (Washington) Mall," Freed said. "It has its own identity as a part of the mall and it's also abstract."

New York State Sen. Roy Goodman, a member of the commission, noted that Freed's revisions "embodied our major objections and in its present form, the museum designs are acceptable and will be a great asset to the community."

But controversy over the Holocaust museum, which was approved by Congress in 1979, remains. Some Holocaust survivors are still questioning whether the museum, which will be five stories and feature a learning centre, library and archives, is appropriate for a tragedy such as the Holocaust.

Chinese refusal brings cancellation

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The United States has cancelled a National Portrait Gallery exhibition to China because the Chinese government refused to show portraits of former Israeli Premier Golda Meir and Col. Douglas MacArthur.

The two portraits, explains a Chinese official in a letter last month to the National Portrait Gallery, "involve politically sensitive questions, which are not only against the present policy of China but also involved in the relations with the third countries."

Although Chinese officials have refused to state their specific objection to the Meir portrait, it is believed to be based on their desire not to anger Arab countries. The objection to the MacArthur portrait apparently stems from the general's role as commander of U.S. forces in the Korean War.

Baha'is receive special status

HAIFA (JPFS) — An agreement has been signed between Israel and the Baha'i World Centre in Haifa, granting it special legal status.

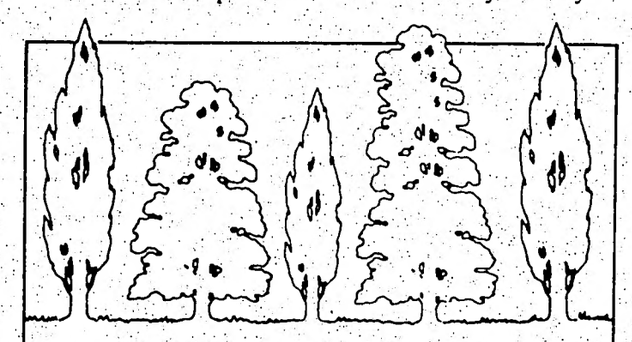
The agreement grants the Baha'i holy places in Haifa and Acre the protection of places of worship. Israel recognized the faith as an official religion in 1971.

As a result of the agreement, which also grants tax-exempt status to Baha'i development work, the Baha'is are to spend $166 million over the next 10 years on the construction of three new buildings at their Mt. Carmel complex and improvements to their holy places.

Donations from Baha'is all over the world will pay for the work, and the Baha'i World Centre has undertaken to use Israeli labor and materials whenever possible.

Baha'i representative Donald Barrett said that the majority of the world's four million Baha'i live in the Third World, with the largest community, of over one million, in India. There are 100,000 in the United States. Altogether, there are communities in 140 countries.

In Israel, the Baha'is will not accept converts in order to steer clear of charges of missionary activity.



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JEWISH NATIONAL FUND OF CANADA

CJC's Stern sees unanimity of purpose

Aliya stressed at world Soviet Jewry conference

By
WENDY ROSEN

MONTREAL —
A sense of urgency prevailed over the recent annual 2-day World Conference for Soviet Jewry held in London, a Canadian activist said.

Barbara Stern, chairman of Canadian Jewish Congress' National Committee for Soviet Jewry, said the timing served as a constant reminder of their original aim, which is equating the Soviet Jewry movement as a Jewish national movement.

She specifically referred to "the dichotomy between glasnost and the near entrapment of all Jews in the Soviet Union because of the emigration decree and the imposed security restrictions."

Stern said that though the representatives — this time 62 from 17 countries including Israel — have differed in the past, "this time there was almost a determined effort not to be distracted by the difference of opinion. There are several roads to Jerusalem. Whatever people felt about certain tactics, there was such a unanimity of purpose."

She said that the signing of the Helsinki Accords in 1975 — which outlined the concept of family reunification — was the turning point where Soviet Jews began choosing not to go to Israel.

"It was a lessening of the whole concept of why the movement had begun — it was an aliya movement. Over the years, people had neglected to identify it as such. We just returned to basics."

The World Council for Soviet Jewry has endorsed and members are committed to the repatriation of families — including the immediate issuance of exit permits to all present and former Prisoners of Conscious and Refuseniks — and direct flights to Israel (or indirect flights through Romania).

As well, Jews in the Soviet Union should be allowed to openly practice and teach their culture, religion and traditions.

Barbara Stern

"Direct flights are important to the movement. There are certain problems inherent but so long as Jews get out with an Israeli invitation ... they have a responsibility to go to Israel," she said, adding that CJC's position is that Soviet Jews are obligated to honor their invitation to Israel.

In the event that an individual has family living in a country other than Israel, Stern said he or she has two choices — go to Israel first and then apply from there, or apply directly to that country.

She stressed that there is "a sense of urgency to bring out as many Jews as possible as soon as possible because it may become difficult to get them out later and while it is still possible to maintain any Jewishness."

In making this point, she said that there are several new Russian nationalist groups that have increased their overt anti-semitic attacks since glasnost.

Martin Gilbert, Natan Scharansky's biographer, told delegates of his recent call to the Soviet Union the night after a going away party for the Boris Klotz family, the adopted Refusenik family of Toronto's Holy Blossom Temple who last week arrived in Israel.

"He felt a great joy but also anxiety for his friends," Stern said. "This feeling underlines the whole Soviet Jewry movement.

"It's almost a good news, bad news situation. We're elated over some people but there's no way we could forget those not there ... they're absence is a tangible reminder — people like Ida Nudel, Vladimir Slepak and Ben Charny," she said.

Representatives had a meeting with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher who reiterated her country's resolve to continue telling the USSR that the issue of Soviet Jewry is the litmus test of Moscow's intentions: that if they can't be trusted on human rights, they can't be trusted on other issues.

Following the conference, the World Council released a policy statement which says: "This proud but beleaguered community of over 2 million represents the major surviving remnant of European Jewry which was decimated during the Holocaust. The issue facing us is the future of more than one-sixth of our people.

"We welcome the changes that have taken place in the Soviet Union since we last met, particularly the release of nearly all of the Prisoners of Zion. We also note that there has been a small increase in Jewish emigration.

"The plight of Soviet Jews, however remains essentially unchanged. In fact, the new legislation affecting emigration has created greater obstacles which restrict the right to leave to narrowly defined family relations....

"We endorse and will champion the recent call of 27 former Prisoners of Conscious ... that 'every Jew should have the right and possibility to be repatriated to Israel without have to explain the reason for his decision to do this, and with no connection as to whether he has relations in Israel.'

"This should be part of a regularized and sustained process, with the right of appeal and the removal of all arbitrary obstacles."

The Lotto Guide offers combinations, patterns of past game winners

TORONTO —
History repeats itself is the premise behind the newly released 1987 Ontario edition of The Lotto Guide ($7.95).

Its system of combinations and patterns of numbers was developed by Nana Opoku-Boadu, a native of Ghana who has lived here for 15 years, and promoted by publishers David Lucatch and Jason Bellin, two young Toronto businessmen.

The guide is a handbook recording winning numbers from April 87 back through June 82, with spacing left for numbers through 1990. The system is based in part on the missing figures in past winning numbers; the terminology is basic and clearly explained.

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Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

OUR NEW ADDRESS

Our new address is 10 Gateway Blvd., Suite 420, Don Mills, Ont., M3C 3A1. The phone number is 422-2331.

WE ARE ON VACATION

The CJN staff is on vacation through to Tuesday, Aug. 4, when we return to prepare the Aug. 13 issue. I will be at my desk on the 4th to receive your calls. Hope to hear from you then.

Sunday, July 26

SOLDIERS' TOWER CARILLON

The summer carillon concerts at the University of Toronto continue on Sunday, July 26, with guest carillonneur **Aime Lombaert** from Brugge, Belgium. Concert begins at 7.30 p.m. and the best places to listen are on the lawn in front of Hart House, on the back campus or in the quadrangles of Hart House and University College.

Tuesday, July 28

BARGAINS GALORE!

Leah Kidron Chapter of Emunah Women is sponsoring a sale, direct from the factory and less than half price, of jewelry, designer blouses, comforters/quilts and microwave cookbooks on Tuesday, July 28, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 3768 Bathurst St., Suite 308, (at Wilson).

All of the money raised will be sent to Israel to support day care centres and nurseries. For information, call the Emunah office at 635-9847.

Friday, July 31

IN CONCERT

Lola Julitta Kane, concert pianist, will appear in a musical happy hour at Lincoln Place Nursing Home, 429 Avenue Rd., on Friday, July 31, from 2.15-3.15 p.m. The program will include a variety of musical selections. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Wednesday, Aug. 12

MUSICAL LEGACY AWARD CONCERT

The Sinai Musical Legacy Award was established by Temple Sinai for the purpose of encouraging the careers of young Jewish artists. Through the generosity of **Helen and Joseph Berman** and the **Darren Kendal** Memorial Endowment, funds have been set aside to provide a cash prize for the award recipient and to facilitate a recital-concert for the congregation.

This year's winner is **Andrew Burashko**, a 21-year-old Moscow-born pianist who came to Canada with his family in 1973. A graduate of Toronto's Royal Conservatory and winner of numerous scholarships and competitions, Andrew made his debut with the Toronto Symphony in 1983 and has appeared with the orchestra three times since. He will make his debut with the Vancouver Symphony this October.

Andrew will be performing in the Musical Legacy Award Concert at Temple Sinai on Wednesday, Aug. 12, at 8 p.m. Admission is free.

And What Else Is New...

ACTIVE RETIREES IN ISRAEL

The Israel Aliyah Centre is announcing the B'nai B'rith Active Retirees in Israel Program (ARI) through which members of B'nai B'rith over the age of 50 spend three months in the resort town of Netanya just north of Tel Aviv. This is an opportunity to live, work and become involved with the land and people of Israel.

ARI volunteers work five mornings each week in hospitals, schools, Jewish National Fund forests and facilities for the elderly and handicapped. They spend most afternoons attending Hebrew classes. Several evenings a week are devoted to lectures, discussions and other social and cultural activities. ARI participants tour Israel as well, traveling to Jerusalem, the Negev, the Golan and the Galilee.

It's all part of a satisfying and invigorating 3-month experience. For further information, contact The Israel Aliyah Centre, 1111 Finch Ave. W., Suite 355, Downsview, Ont., M3J 2E5. The phone number is (416) 665-7772.

LIBRARY TOURS

The new North York Central Library at 5120 Yonge St. in now open and, to help everyone make the best use of this facility, volunteer guides are providing tours to all interested groups and individuals.

Tours are available during library hours, on the hour. Just come by and join the group.

If you would prefer to arrange a tour for your group, colleagues or employees at a time and date convenient to you, call the tour guide office during library hours at 733-5678 to make arrangements.

HAMILTON'S SHALOM VILLAGE

Hamilton's Shalom Village Retirement Home is well into its July programming. Upcoming events include —

Friday, July 24 — A trip to Guelph including a concert and a tour, beginning at 9.45 a.m.

Sunday, July 26 — A barbecue at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, July 29 — The Price is Right at 7.30 p.m.

Thursday, July 30 — A trip to Flamborough Downs horse race track at 6.30 p.m.

Ongoing programs offer exercises, coffee and chat (Mondays to Thursdays), in-chair exercises (Mondays and Wednesdays), bingo (Tuesdays and Thursdays), ceramics (Mondays), Yiddish readings with **Rena** (Saturdays at 2.30) and crafts with **Becky** (Thursdays).

Also, the first issue of the volunteer newsletter is now available. Volunteering is a great way for students to gain some work experience and make new and interesting friends.

Everyone is welcome to join in the entertainment and trips. For information, call 528-5377. Shalom Village is located at 70 Macklin St., Hamilton.

SHABBAT RETREAT

The 31st annual B'nai B'rith Institute of Judaism Shabbat Retreat takes place Aug. 28-30 at Maple Lake Resort and Convention Centre, Parry Sound, Ont. The theme is Judaism — Today and Tomorrow — Challenges, Confrontation, Dialogue.

The scholar-in-residence is **Rabbi Moishe Silverman**, director, B'nai B'rith Hillel, University of Toronto, and immediate past chairman of Campus Chaplain Association.

The cost is $145 per person, double occupancy, and includes three meals a day and late evening buffet. For registration and further information, contact **Ruth Elias** at 226-2050 or the BB national office at 633-6224.

SPECIALTY CAMPS

North York parks and recreation department offers children and youth enriching and exciting experiences by offering unique and specialized summer camps. Counsellors and instructors are selected because of their experience, skills and ability to teach and relate to children.

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You can choose from a long list of camps such as Gymnastics which also includes arts and crafts and outdoor sports; Camp Naorca, a nature camp with hiking, paddling canoes, games, arts and crafts, cookouts and swimming; Fine Arts which focuses on dance, drama and visual arts and also offers swimming, special events, films and an out-trip, and Kids Kamp for 5 to 6-year-olds with arts and crafts, creative movement, gymnastics, drama and sports.

For more information about these and all North York Specialty Camps, call the camp hotline at 224-6252.

LECTURE-DISCUSSION COURSES

Prof. Elaine Newton will again be teaching a variety of lecture-discussion courses in the fall. Freud, Jung and Literature, an 8-week program will be offered on Monday afternoons at 1.30 at Beth Tikvah Synagogue from Sept. 14-Nov. 9. Self, Society and Literature is a 6-week series to be held on Thursday afternoons from Sept. 10-Oct. 22. Critics' Choice, a series of critical reviews of seven recent novels, will take place once a month on a Tuesday evening at 8 at Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

An afternoon Critics' Choice and Myths We Live By are two 2-week series beginning in January at Temple Sinai.

For further details, contact **Greta Gray** at 223-5452.

DETROIT SINGLES EVENTS

The Jewish Community Centre of Metropolitan Detroit's Community Network for Jewish Singles is sponsoring two events in the near future — the 2nd annual Endless Summer Slumber Weekend (25-45) at Camp Maas from Aug. 28-30 and the Peddlers Bicycle Club tour through northern Michigan Sept. 11-13 for advanced and intermediate bikers of all ages.

For information about both events, call **Jill Cole** at the Detroit JCC at (313) 661-1000, ext. 347.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to assist in group sessions or on a one-to-one basis with people with mental health problems who are socially isolated.

The positions include program aides, special friends and telephone communicators.

For further information, call the Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

THORNHILL EMUNAH WOMEN

A new Emunah Women's Chapter is in formation in the Thornhill area. Exciting programs with speakers of high calibre are being planned.

For further information, call **Marcy Gilbert** at the Emunah office at 635-9847.

CANADIAN ISRAELI CLUB

Aluma, the Canadian Israeli Club, will be meeting on Tuesday, July 28, at 7.30 p.m. at the Wagman centre Fireside Lounge, 55 Ameer Ave. The program will include an Israeli movie.

On Sunday, Aug. 9, at 8 p.m. there will be a Tuv b'Av party, complete with the music of the **Paul Mathew** trio and dinner. It takes place at the Wagman Centre Assembly Room. The charge is $12.50. For reservations, call **Aharon** at 226-9208.

CREATIVE MUSICAL VARIETY SHOW

August performances of the Creative Musical Variety Show, that popular group of senior entertainers from the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living under the direction of **Elaine Duff** assisted by Anne Sussman, include Tuesday, the 11th, at 1.30 p.m. at Castleview-Wychwood Centre, 351 Christie St., and Tuesday, the 25th, at 1 p.m. at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living's open house, 1003 Steeles Ave. W.

The group rehearses every Wednesday morning from 10-11.30 a.m. at the Centre for Creative Living. The doors are open to everyone, so why not join in the fun. Call 222-0655 or 222-7422 to find out all about it.

WINDSOR NEGEV DINNER

Leone Schott (centre) was the honoree of Windsor's Negev Dinner held under the auspices of the Jewish National Fund at Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue recently. With her (from left) are Sidney Lazurus, presenter of the JNF citation to the honoree; Ellen Brudner, Negev Dinner chairman; Shira Herzog Bessin, guest speaker, and Jack Stein, Windsor JNF president.

NEW ASSOCIATED PRESIDENT

Les Scheininger (second from right) was elected president of Associated Hebrew Schools at its recent annual meeting. With him (from left) are Arthur Tannenbaum, executive vice-president; Louis Weisfeld, chairman of the board; Henry Koschitzky, outgoing president, and Rabbi Abraham Soffer, educational director.

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for seniors

The Jewish Community Centre Senior Adult Club has arranged a Theatre in the Park outing on Wednesday, Aug. 12. The price of $22 members, $23 non-members includes Cullen Country Barns, a full course fish lunch at Deer Park Inn, theatre admission for the comedy play Boeing, Boeing, and all gratuities. Departure time is 9 a.m. at the JCC, 4588 Bathurst St. and returning at 5 p.m. The last day for registration is Wednesday, Aug. 5. Call **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club next dance with a live band is set for Sunday, July 26, at Earl Bales Community Centre (in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard). Charge is $3 members, $4 non-members. Refreshments will be available...For details about the Catskills trip Aug. 17-21, call the club office. This is for members only.

At the **Temple Sinai Seniors** meeting on Tuesday, July 28, Metro police will give a presentation on Crime Prevention and on Tuesday, Aug. 11, **Murray Kaye** will be featured in a musical program. Meetings take place at 1 p.m. at the temple, 210 Wilson Ave. The charge is $1 members, $1.50 non-members each meeting.

July programs and concerts in the **Wagman Centre** Assembly Room, 55 Ameer Ave., feature pianist **Tanya Perlin** on Sunday, July 26, from 2-3 p.m. and singer **Marvin Rosenshein** with accompanist **Chris Lovett** on Tuesday, July 28, from 7.30-8.30 p.m.

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club is holding a general meeting on Sunday, Aug. 2, at 1.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 100 Elder St. Refreshments will be served. Come and spend an enjoyable afternoon. The charge is $1 members, $2 visitors. For information, contact **Bess** at 783-3206.

The JCC Singers have been invited to perform at Harbourfront during Heritage Day celebrations on Wednesday, Aug. 12, at 2 p.m. The group can be heard in concert at the Brigantine Room, 235 Queen's Quay W. Everyone is welcome...The JCC Singers were highly commended for recent performances at Holy Blossom Temple, Borochov Centre and at the Rho Pi Phi's general meeting at the Bayview Country Club...New singers are invited to join this friendly choir. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 9.30-11 a.m. in Room 221 at the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St. For enquiries and bookings, call **Lottie Goldenberg** at 636-9715.

JCC Valley Club Chaverim, 7015 Leslie St., has meetings every Monday afternoon (excluding holidays) from 1-3 p.m. Come out and join this congenial group for bingo, games, movies, speakers and entertainment. For more information, contact **Sally Kerbel** at the Valley office at 889-0813.

Workmen's Circle Social Club meets for lunch and entertainment on Tuesday, July 28, at noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. Guest speakers will be **Rabbi David Monson** and **Eric Feldbioom**. Non-members are always welcome. For information, contact **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7724...Following meetings on Tuesdays, Aug. 4 and 11, will feature lunch and bingo.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club's next dance with a live band is set for Sunday, July 26, from 8-11 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre (in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard). The cost is $3 members, $4 non-members. Refreshments will be available...**Bert Levy's** Happy Hour variety show on Thursday, July 30, begins at 7.30 p.m. at the Earl Bales Community Centre. There is no charge for members. Non-members are charged $1...Tuesday, Aug. 11, is the date of the day trip to Whitby and Cullen Gardens Miniature Village with an afternoon variety show and picnic lunch provided. The cost is $14 per person...Weekly activities include Saturday night dancing, bridge, mah jong, rummycube, fitness, dancersize, woodworking and ballroom dancing. For further information about all activities, call the club office at 636-7856, Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Beth Sholom Seniors will be meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 5, at 7.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W. There will be entertainment and refreshments. For information, call **Eve Donsky**, vice-president and publicity chairman, at 782-1068.

LZA Seniors Club meets daily at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave., from noon to 4 p.m. The Cultural Club discusses topics of interest every Tuesday morning at 10. Registration for the Miami trip will take place at the Borochov Centre from 10 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays July 22, 29 and Aug. 5.

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The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

The Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI) Thursday Seminars present **Devorah Danziger**, founding member of Toronto Jewish Divorce Group, in a talk on The Jewish Divorce (Get) on July 30, at 1.30 p.m. and artist **Tutzi Seguin** in Pot Pourri: Around the World in 60 Minutes on Aug. 6 at 1.30 p.m. Both lectures are open to the community. There is no charge for members. Non-members are charged $1.

At the Literary Luncheon on Monday, July 27, **Prof. Eric Koch** will review his book Inside 7 Days, a look at the TV program This Hour Has 7 Days, and at the Monday, Aug. 10, luncheon, author **Jerry Asher** will discuss his recently released book, Duel for the Golan: The 100 Day Battle That Saved Israel. Literary Luncheons are for members only and take place from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

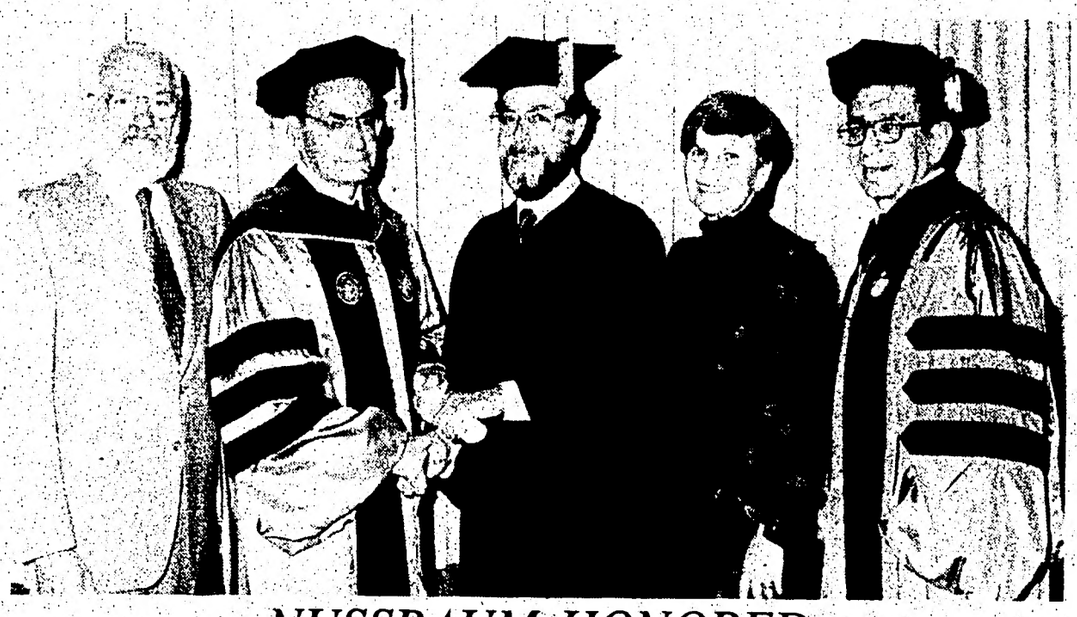
The Sunday programs feature the movies The Color Purple on July 26 and Stand By Me on Aug. 9. Movies start at 2.30 p.m. and admission is $1 members, $1.50 non-members.

Dance to the lively music of the Creative Band on Sunday, Aug. 2, from 7.30-10.30 p.m. Admission is $2 members, $2.50 non-members.

The Wednesday afternoon socials present **Manny Linden** in a program of stories and poetry on July 29, singer **Elizabeth-Liza Shein** on Aug. 5, and **Sarah Herzberg** and **Ada Lewis** in concert on Aug. 12. All programs begin at 1.30 p.m. Refreshments will be served after the entertainment. Admission is $1.25 members, $1.75 non-members.

Day tours include a cruise and theatre in Orillia on Thursday, July 30, ($19); a guided tour of Six Nations Reserve plus a cruise and musical review on Thursday, Aug. 6, ($22), and Annie Get Your Gun at Artpark on Wednesday, Aug. 12 ($16).

The Health Lecture series features a presentation of the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College entitled Chiropractic Care and Back Pain on Thursday, July 23, and a special fun afternoon, The Game That's Good For You — SPINACH (Significant Points In Normal Age Changes and Health), on Thursday, Aug. 13. All health lectures are open to the public. There is no charge for members. Non-members are charged $1.



NUSSBAUM HONORED

At a recent Jewish Educator's Assembly held in the Catskills, Aaron Nussbaum, (centre), director of education, United Synagogue Day School, was presented with an honorary doctorate of pedagogy by the Jewish Theological Seminary in honor of his years of dedicated service and contribution to Jewish education. With him (from left) are Dr. Lou Myers, Ismar Schorsh, chancellor, Jewish Theological Seminary; Bea Myers, and Rabbi David Kogen, vice-chancellor, JTS.

NEW SHUL EXECUTIVE

Murray Freiberg (seated, centre) now entering his 18th year as president of Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, meets with other newly elected officers: (standing, left to right) Howard Wolfe, treasurer; Ernest Marmurek, 2nd vice-president. Seated (left) Ben Raskin, 1st vice-president, and (right) Max Clement, secretary.

at the jcc

The JCC North-East Valley Singles Network has three big events coming up —

A barbecue pool party and entertainment evening is arranged on Sunday, July 26, at 7.30 p.m. at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Icebreakers start off the evening followed by food, fun and folk dancing. There will be prizes and an opportunity to discuss the Focus Group held on May 16 at the Valley. For information and reservations, call **Fran** at 782-4834 or **Adelle** at 665-7640 or **Sally Kerbel** at the Valley office at 889-0813.

Sunday, Aug. 2, is the date of the fun splash dance. Swim at 7.30 p.m. then dance at 8.30 when the deejay will play your favorite tunes and enjoy delicious noshies. It all takes place at the Valley. The charge is $4 members, $6 non-members. For information, call Sally Kerbel at the Valley office.

A tennis round robin and dance is being held Sunday, Aug. 16. Tennis is at 7 p.m. (bring your own tennis equipment including tennis balls) and the dance, with a dynamic deejay and delicious nibbles, follows at 9. Charge for tennis and dance is $5 members with cards, $7 non-members. For the dance only it is $4 members with cards, $6 non-members.

And don't forget about the Singles Social Hotline for 24-hour (taped) information on happenings in the Jewish community. The number is 889-5101.

GOING HOME

Joel Alpert (right), Hebrew University shaliach to its Friends' organization in Toronto, is congratulated by Canadian Friends of HU national president Dr. Gerald Halbert on completion of his 4-year term here. Alpert is returning to Israel in August to be senior assistant to the school's president.

14 YEARS

Rabbi Daniel Gottlieb (right), former associate rabbi of Temple Har Zion and Rabbi Michael Stroh (centre), the senior rabbi, congratulate Cantor Martin Steinhouse at a service honoring the cantor's 14 years of dedicated service. Rabbi Gottlieb was honored at a recent Shabbat service. He has just been appointed director of the Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations. He served Temple Har Zion as director of education for seven years.

singles events

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J.C.C. Valley Singles. 7015 Leslie Street, Sunday, Aug. 2, "Splash Bash" Dance Party. Swim 7:30, Dance 8:30. Disc Jockey — Refreshments. $4.00 Members — $6.00 Non-Members. Sally 889-0813 (Valley Office).

The Jewish Singles Messenger — 2nd issue available. $3.00. P.O. Box 555, Stn. R, Toronto, M4G 4E1, 467-8232.

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Organizations and People

BONDS CONFERENCE

Women's Division State of Israel Bonds recently held a conference in New York. Among those present were (from left) Nancy Gordon, daughter of Rita Moreno; Rita Moreno, a national honorary chairman of Women's Division; Sylvia Shawn, Toronto Women's Division chairman, and Harriet Morton, Golda Meir Club chairman, State of Israel Bonds.

ICRF PLANS EVENING

Members of the committee of Israel Cancer Research Fund's Evening of Elegance discuss plans for the event to take place Thursday, Aug. 13, at Casa Loma. From left are Wendy Litwack, Harriet Dennis, Gloria Lepofsky, chairman, and Shirley Samuels, hostess of the meeting. The event will be sponsored solely by Jaguar, Rolls-Royce on Bay. Included in the $250 charge per person is a dinner-dance, an auction and a chance at a grand door prize of a London Show Tour — air fare courtesy Air Canada, land arrangements courtesy Fisher-Freemont Travel Ltd. All proceeds will go to fund cancer research scientists in Israel.

Women, minorities aided

TORONTO — Job opportunities for women and minorities in Ontario will increase under a new employment equity program, provincial Treasurer Robert Nixon recently announced.

The program, to be applied on the merit principle, will include setting targets and goals to ensure that five initial target groups are fairly represented in the public service.

The groups are women, aboriginal peoples, francophones, visable minorities and disabled persons.

"The target groups for this equity program are a starting point," said Nixon. "We want to be sure that the public service is representative of the diverse public it serves."

The program will be extended to other ethnic groups following further data collection and an ongoing review of the program.

"Each ministry will be required to review its own data and to develop goals and timetables within the broad framework developed throught he Human Resources Secretariat," Nixon said.

The treasurer's announcement complements announcements of a new multiculturalism strategy by Minister of Citizenship and Culture Lily Munro (CJN July 2) and a new Race Relations Directorate by Attorney General Ian Scott.

The latter will be responsible for promotion, advocacy and policy development on racial issues. It will monitor government initiatives and legislation which will have race relations implications. It will also evaluate private sector activities which impact on racial minorities.

In addition to its policy and promotion functions, the Directorate will work to reduce racial tensions in the community by playing a mediation role and by assisting public and private organizations to establish programs to foster harmonious race relations.

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About People

AUTHOR TO VISIT TORONTO

Jerry Asher, author of Duel for the Golan: The 100-Hour Battle That Saved Israel, will be visiting Toronto Aug. 9-11.

Currently teaching high school in Tulare, Calif., Asher is former administrative assistant to state senator **Joseph Montoya**. He spent five years researching the book which won the U.S. Military Book of the Month Award and received a 3-page review in the Marine Corps Gazette. A rough draft of the book is now in the Israeli archives.

During his Toronto stay Asher will be addressing numerous Jewish organizations as well as radio, TV and military groups. He will also be doing an instore promotion stint at the Negev Bookstore on Sunday, the 9th.

If you would like details of his schedule, contact **Rebecca Zimmerman** at 665-4048.

SHAAREH HAIM OFFICERS

Shaareh Haim Synagogue's officers for the 1987-88 term were officially installed by **Rabbi Lawrence Troster** at a regular Shabbat service recently.

Karen Miller is president with **Ralph Paoli**, vice-president; **Carole Abrahams**, secretary; **Mitch Max**, treasurer, and **Dr. Kel Sherkin**, immediate past president.

AWARD-WINNING STUDENT

Alexandra Chelsky recently received a letter from the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation District 15 Toronto informing her that she has been chosen as one of the recipients of the District 15 award for Excellence in Student Leadership.

Each year teachers in Toronto secondary schools submit nominations for the award. The list of nominees is long (1,000 applicants) and the quality is extremely high. The 19-year-old West Toronto Secondary School student is one of five to receive the award.

Alexandra, who has plans for a career in Early Childhood training, has an unusual part time job — she organizes children's birthday parties. That is in addition to her school work and involvement in school activities such as being a member of the school swim team and writing for the school paper. She is the daughter of **Brenda and Sidney Chelsky**.

SHAAREI BETH-EL CONGREGATION

At the recent annual meeting of Shaarei Beth-El Congregation in Oakville, **Harvey Manson** was elected president with **Allan Setton**, vice-president; **Ruth Burke**, treasurer, and **Harvey Goldberg**, secretary. **Harold Fink** is immediate past president.

The sisterhood executive is headed by president **Lis Manson** with vice-presidents **Sally Clare, Hope Fine, Deborah Goldberg, Helen Koven** and **Judi Setton**, secretary **Esther Miller** and treasurer **Dahlia Brown**.

Ethel and Gordon Mandell

A 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Ethel and Gordon Mandell will be celebrating their 50th anniversary at a family dinner on July 25 together with their son and his wife, **Marvin and Suzan Mandell**, daughter and her husband, **Harriet and Mel Back** and grandsons Corey, Jeffrey, Matthew, Michael and Jeremy.

A former clothing merchant, Mr. Mandell retired more than 20 years ago but has remained active at Anshei Minsk Congregation. A past president of the synagogue, he is currently serving as vice-president. Mrs. Mandell is also involved in the community, particularly with the National Council of Jewish Women.

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McMaster has top-notch religious studies department

Hamilton university marks 100th anniversary

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — McMaster University celebrates its 100th anniversary this year and for the past few months maroon banners on Main St. W. in front of the McMaster University Medical Health Centre have been proclaiming the event.

McMaster began as a Baptist college in Toronto in 1881 following a merger between the Canadian Literary Institute and a Baptist college in Woodstock, Ont. It was named after Senator William McMaster, founder of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, who died in 1887, the year in which the college obtained its charter as a university. He left $900,000 for its development.

In the spring of 1930 the university moved to Hamilton and in 1957 it became a non-denominational institution.

McMaster had ceased to be strictly Baptist long before that but faculty members were still required to be Christians, while only senators had to be Baptists.

"The whole thing of secularizing (the university) took some years to negotiate," said McMaster University historian Dr. Charles Johnston. "Even so, there were some in the Baptist community who twitched a little over this."

But there were those who recognized that if McMaster was to become a first-rank university, it would have to hire "genuine professors" — even if they were Jews!

In fact, the first Jews had already been quietly hired in the early 50s, beginning, as far as Johnston recalls, with two psychologists, the late Dr. Abe Black and Dr. Leo Kamin, who is now at Princeton.

Other Jews soon followed, notably in the social sciences and humanities departments but McMaster has never had a strong Jewish presence.

The number of Jewish students has always hovered around 140 out of a total student population of 10,000-12,000 with an estimated equal number of unidentified ones, and a small number of Jews on the faculty.

The only exception is the medical school, not quite 20 years old, which has proportionately more Jews on the faculty and among its students.

In 1969, the late Louis Rasminsky, governor of the Bank of Canada, and Rabbi Bernard Baskin of Temple Anshe Sholom, were the first Jews to receive honorary degrees from McMaster University.

Considering McMaster's origins, it's ironic that the one department with a deliberate policy of hiring Jews is the department of religious studies.

This is thanks to former faculty member Dr. E. P. Sanders, "who campaigned actively for the presence of Jews in the department," explains Dr. Alan Mendelson. "He always insisted on having Jewish scholars teaching our area of study (early Judaism and Christianity)."

Indeed, it was Sanders' insistence upon "giving equal time to Judaism and Christianity that has made him world famous for this approach."

The program resulted in the McMaster Project on Judaism and Christianity, a 5-year research program from 1976 to 1981 funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

In June, 1979, a symposium on Normative Self-Definition in Judaism from the Maccabees to the Mid-Third Centuries brought distinguished biblical scholars from Israel, Canada, the U.S. and Europe to McMaster.

McMaster University, declares Dr. Mendelson, not only has "one of the foremost religious studies departments in Canada" but is regarded as one of the five best religion departments in North America.

And convincing evidence of that, he adds, is the fact that Sanders now teaches New Testament at Oxford — "and you can't do better than that" — while two Jewish members of the department, professors Albert Baumgarten and Alan Cooper now teach, respectively, at Bar-Ilan University and the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati.

Another Jewish faculty member is Dr. Louis Greenspan and a former Jewish student of Sanders, Adele Reinhartz, will be returning in the fall as an assistant professor.

But "for one reason or another, McMaster has an image problem," says Mendelson, a friendly, tousle-haired young-looking professor who came here from Washington in the 1970s and has every intention of staying.

His own field is Hellenistic Judaism in the Greek world of Alexandria, he explains.

He regrets that so few Jewish students are attracted to McMaster and especially that so few are interested in religious studies. But for those who are interested in the study of early Judaism and Christianity, McMaster University, he says, has a much better department than the University of Toronto.

Montreal engineer tries to build bridges between Jews, Arabs

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL — Mamdouh Ismail possesses one of those irrepressible Middle Eastern personalities that could well explain his success at both the business and "political" levels.

By day, Ismail, a 39-year-old, Egyptian-born Montrealer, is one of the city's most successful engineers, specializing in the high-tech repair of roadways and bridges and foundations.

Ismail's other preoccupation, over the years, has also taken an engineer's ingenuity. Since 1969, long before late Egyptian President Anwar Sadat made overtures of peace toward Israel, Ismail was already working on building bridges between the two nations. He envisioned a relationship in which Jews and Moslems, Arabs and Israelis could co-exist with mutual respect and harmony.

"I see Israel as a "state of wisdom", Ismail said in a recent interview with The CJN. "Jews, in a way, have been able to conquer the world with their great wisdom."

To that end, Ismail served as a leader in Montreal's 60,000-strong Egyptian community during a period when trying to foster friendship between Jews and Arabs did not endear him to much of his community. Yet he was determined to break new ground, going as far as inviting Jews and Christians to Egyptian community meetings.

Sadat proves him right

Ultimately, Sadat's peace initiative helped prove him right all along, but Ismail resists describing himself as a "visionary." Instead, he feels that even before Sadat, Egypt's opposition to the Jewish state was more for public consumption than a matter of actual sentiment.

Ismail maintains that all along, even Egyptian president Gamal Abdel Nasser, who was once quoted as vowing to "push the Jews into the sea", provoked the Six Day War knowing full well Egypt would lose.

"He did it to promote pan-Arabism," Ismail said. "After that war, Egypt was able to rebuild its armed forces and to improve the standard of living." According to Ismail, Egypt was more worried about Israel being a tool for British colonialism than for being an actual Jewish state. Anti-Israel feeling never extended towards the Jews residing in Egypt, claims Ismail.

Egypt rebuilt military

His undoubtedly unique interpretation of Egyptian history is given a measure of credence by his background. A member of a prominent Egyptian family, Ismail was in line for a military position when he was arrested and charged with taking part in an attempted military coup in Egypt following the 1967 war,

According to Ismail, he came under suspicion because his name was listed in a visitor's book requesting a meeting with the Egyptian defence minister. Because the defence minister was later suspected of engineering the attempted coup, Ismail was detained and claims he came extremely close to being executed. However, he was able to escape and eventually reached Montreal.

One of the more intriguing facts about Ismail is that from a halachic point of view, he could well be considered Jewish. His father was a Moslem, but his mother was a Jew from pre-war Germany. He was raised according to Islamic belief and considers himself Moslem.

His prominence in Montreal's Egyptian community has also offered him some proximity to Egypt's high profile personalities. On several occasions, he met with Sadat's widow, Jehan. Currently, he is one of his community's spokesmen and is its vice-president.

Ismail said he will continue to strengthen the links between Egypt and Israel, and he believes that the "rest of the Arab world is now trying to finish what Sadat started." He believes that PLO chairman Yasser Arafat is "bluffing" about dismantling the Jewish state, and is fully prepared to accept Israel's presence in the Middle East arena.

Among Ismail's plans are to visit Israel this year, both as a tourist and to engage in talks with Israelis.

He recalls an underlying premise that induced him years ago to promote friendship between Jews and Arabs.

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Organizations and People

Study in Israel praised

NEW YORK — American and Canadian students who have spent a year of study at an Israeli university have found it to be "one of life's memorable experiences," says a Jewish Agency shaliach.

The Hebrew, Tel Aviv, Haifa, Ben-Gurion and Bar-Ilan universities now have accredited special programs in English which meet the course credit requirements of the student's college, says Dov Keren-Ya'ar, North American representative of the Jewish Agency's Committee for University Studies in Israel.

"It is not only juniors who are among the 1,400 students now taking advantage of this program, but seniors and freshmen as well," he said. In addition to the courses in their special area of major study which are in English, he said a good number are pursuing graduate study in Hebrew.

"The student who has taken advantage of this opportunity to immerse himself or herself in the Israel university study experience finds it to be both one of life's memorable happenings, and a personal affirmation of Jewish identity," Keren-Ya'ar said.

"Again and again the students have expressed their experience as a one-to-one relationship with their people, and a profoundly meaningful period of wholesome personal development and self-fulfillment. In fact, some 25% make aliya," he said.

Special funds

"Today this program is acknowledged to be an important educational force in enriching the individual participants, in developing future American and Canadian Jewish leaders, and in a better understanding and solidarity between North American Jewry and the people in Israel."

Special funds have been established for students who wish to study in an Israeli university by local American and Canadian Jewish federations.

Scholarships based upon academic excellence and financial need have been provided by the universities' American and Canadian friends organizations. The Committee for University Studies in Israel has also offered matching benefits to other students also.

Students, Jewish federations, community councils, syngogues and college Hillels are invited to contact Dov Keren-Ya'ar, North American Representative, Committee for University Studies in Israel at 515 Park Ave., Room 810, New York 10022, telephone (212) 755-7453, ext. 296 and 304.

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Organizations and People

Orthodox shul honors Dolly Cohen

Hamilton man of year a woman

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
"And the Man of the Year is . . . Dolly Cohen!"
Dolly Cohen?

Smiling broadly, Rabbi Morton Green of Adas Israel Synagogue made the announcement. There was an incredulous gasp from Cohen and a burst of delighted applause from the guests.

The occasion was the annual Adas Israel Brotherhood dinner, the night they hand out the awards and the trophies and name the Man of the Year.

Only this year, the Man of the Year award went to A Woman of Valor, as it said on the plaque.

"I'm proud of you and delighted that the Men's Club has chosen you," Green told Cohen, his secretary for the past 15 years.

It was an "historical recognition" and the first time, to his knowledge, that the men's club of an Orthodox congregation had chosen a woman to be their man of the year.

"Man of the Year" Dolly Cohen at her desk. [Moura Wolpert photo]

"I think it is very significant . . . and should gain international recognition that an Orthodox congregation in Hamilton, Ont. is the first to do this," added the rabbi amid laughter.

The decision to honor Cohen had been "reached unanimously by our executive," said Howard Krieger, co-president, with Leo Bornstein, of the Brotherhood.

"One of the main reasons we chose Dolly," he explained, "was because of all the work she always does for us with no reciprocation from us. There were a lot of deserving individuals but we felt she really deserved the recognition. Not just for what she does for us but for what she does for everybody in general. She always feels it's just part of her job."

Always cheerful, friendly and ready to be of help, Cohen has long endeared herself to all who know her.

Typically, "I'm not special!" protested Cohen in her office a few days later. "I hate the limelight," she added emphatically.

Originally from Toronto, she came to Hamilton with her husband Ralph and 4-year-old son Alan in 1956 and first went to work for Rabbi Green when he assumed the Adas Israel pulpit in 1958.

She stayed home for a few years when her second son, Steven, was born but went back to work, first as secretary to Talmud Torah principal Rabbi Wilenski and then for JCC executive director Bill Stern, before returning to Adas Israel in 1972 after Stern left Hamilton.

Cohen loves her job. A typical day? There's no such thing. "You never know what's going to happen. I enjoy all the different things that crop up," she says happily. Even if many of them are way beyond the call of duty.

"The only thing I've been relieved of recently is chauffering," she laughs.

And the only thing that never seems to stop is the telephone. . . .

Cohen has also always found time for other organizations. She is active in the Adas Israel Sisterhood, which named her Woman Of The Year some six or seven years ago, and of which she served as president for two years. She is a former co-chairman of the UJA Women's Division, and a member of Hadassah and Emunah.

With Alan living in Toronto, where he is in the computer business, and Steven, who was recently ordained, living in New York, where he is rabbi of Lincoln Centre Synagogue, the Cohens live quietly and contentedly within walking distance of the shul.

She has but one, small complaint: it seems Cohen just can't live down her childhood nickname of Dolly. She's really Helen, the name by which her husband calls her. But to everyone else she's always been Dolly and it's as Dolly that everyone loves her.

Ethel Grossman dies; pride in family lauded

TORONTO —
Ethel Grossman, wife of former Ontario cabinet minister Allan Grossman and mother of Ontario Conservative leader Larry, recently died at age 74.

Born Ethel Starkman on May 7, 1913, she was married to Allan for 51 years and closely followed his political career.

Her husband was a Toronto alderman in 1952 and a member of Metro Council from 1953-55. In 1955 Allan was first elected to the Legislature representing St. Andrew-St. Patrick, currently held by his son Larry and was a Conservative cabinet minister until he retired in 1975.

In his eulogy, Rabbi Benjamin Friedberg of Beth Tzedec Synagogue, praised Grossman for her devotion to family and recalled her "legendary" home cooking, particularly her cheese cakes, which, he said, she was famous for.

"She was a proud, independent woman," said Friedberg. "She had pride in good measure. As such her entire life was devoted to her family — her children and grandchildren. Until her children were adults she would not go on vacation without them. Her home was always open to all branches of the family, to her friends — to her children's friends, even when the children were not at home.

Ethel Grossman

"As with children so with grandchildren — they were always there spending an enormous amount of time there. Every Friday night, every festival dinner — that was the place to be. It was the centre out of which the individuals became a family network. Her family and friends called her 'booms' because her first grandchild's first attempt at saying "Bubby" came out that way."

Friedberg also praised Grossman for the sacrifices she was forced to make as the wife of a politician and recalled how she loved services at the shul.

She is survived by her husband, Allan, sisters Belle Taerk and Anne Turk, brother Max Starkman, children, Larry, Denise Davis and Susan Fletcher and six grandchildren.

Memorial donations to the Canadian Technion Society Ethel and Allan Grossman Centre for Immunology, 491 Lawrence Ave. W. would be appreciated.

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passed away Tuesday, July 14, 1987 at the Toronto General Hospital.

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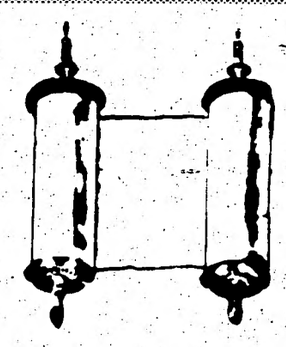

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Matot/Masai

It is easier to renovate a house than to renovate our hearts. We must constantly change, constantly grow.

A chassid asked Reb Simcha Bunim of Peshischa: "Why does it say in the verse, 'The Lord opens the eyes of the blind, the Lord lifts up those who are bent over, the Lord loves the righteous. . . .' Why are the righteous mixed in with the blind and bent over?"

Answered Reb Simcha Bunim: "There is no worse handicap for a righteous tzadik than to think that he's a tzadik. . . ."

* * *

We must never stay the same.

Consider . . . the Jews traveled 42 stops on their way from Egypt to the Promised Land. Why so many trips, so many stops?

Commented the Holy Shaloh: Every time a Jew travels in exile, it atones for his sins. That is why it was a custom for students to leave home in search of Torah. . . .

Adds Reb David of Leluv: Moses recorded the journeys of the Israelites, and that became Torah. Now, Elijah the prophet records all the wanderings and sufferings of our present galut, and that too will become Torah. . . .

"No one knows what secret miracles have transpired to the Jews in their present exile," taught the Kotzker Rebbe. "That is why the verse says: 'Li'oseh niflaot gedolot livado....For he alone does great wonders. . . .'" Only God alone knows! But they are inscribed in Heaven, and will become a great book someday.

He added: All our wandering until the redemption is hinted at in the journeys of the Jews in the desert. (Ituray Torah)

* * *

The greatest travelling is what we do within ourselves.

Explains the Siftei Tzadikim: This world is called the world of Tikkun, of constantly fixing and perfecting our past. Angels never have what to fix. But a human being must always change, improve, be "mistakein." . . .

"Eileh Masei. . . . These are the wanderings. . . ." These mean a new beginning, throwing away the past. Every day a Jew must make a new start, a new trip.

In the desert the Jews encamped and then moved on, encamped and moved, "vayachanu va'yeesau. . . ."

So also a Jew must set camp for a while, reach a certain level, and then move on, upwards, correct the past.

These are the Three Weeks, the gloomy time when we recall the destruction of our people, from the Temple to the Holocaust. What to fix? What to build? We must build our own characters, our own neshamas, fix our own sinat chinam, our own pride, our own ego, our own selfishness, our own avarice, our own lust.

Every mitzvah is a new brick in the coming Temple, every time we sacrifice our hate and offer love it is a sacred korbon offering.

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A group of Jews complained to the rabbi of the city that a fellow Jew was speaking badly about them to the head of the city.

"Not to worry," reassured the rabbi," his words will not be accepted." When they asked him how he knew, the rabbi explained: "Words that come from the heart enter the heart. But that Jew has no heart."

May we all take heart and love each other. Shabbat Shalom.

CJC Ontario chairman examines issues

Zaionz cites year of progress

By
RON CSILLAG

It has been a busy year for Charles Zaionz (second from right), chairman of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region. Here he meets with (from left) Windsor-Walkerville MP Howard McCurdy, Ontario NDP leader Bob Rae and CJC, Ontario Region, executive director Yehuda Lipsitz at a recent regional executive meeting.

TORONTO —

On his first anniversary as chairman of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, Charles Zaionz finds many issues facing the province's Jewish community are the same ones as a year ago. "We have made progress," Zaionz says, "but it's been slow."

Zaionz, a 50-year-old chartered accountant with the downtown firm Zaionz and Zaionz, is the lay leader of CJC in the province where half the country's Jews reside. The past year has been chock full of events that have affected the day-to-day lives of many Ontario Jews, and they haven't all been positive.

The year saw the ordering of another trial for convicted hatemonger Ernst Zundel, the conclusion of the Deschenes inquiry into the presence of Nazi war criminals in Canada, a Supreme Court decision ruling that religious day schools in Ontario (including Jewish institutions) are not entitled to the same government funding as Roman Catholic separate schools, another court ruling stating stores cannot open on Sundays, even if they close on Shabbat, and such recurring issues as Jewish unity, assimilation and intermarriage.

But in a broader vein, Zaionz says he has sensed over the year a "redefinition" on the parts of government and society of race relations.

"After many years," he said in an interview, "the emphasis seems to be shifting to visible minorities to the exclusion of religious minorities. The attitude seems to be building that religious minorities are not as big an area of concern as visible minorities.

"The view is that the Jewish community has simply become part of the mainstream. I think that's troubling."

This is a double-edged problem, Zaionz warns, because although it means the Jewish community has become comfortable and has integrated well, it also means Jews may lose their fighting trim and assimilate.

But in the meantime, more tangible problems continue to face the Jewish community of Ontario. Although intermarriage in the province is much lower than in Quebec or the Maritimes, it is still high at 16% and the danger of assimilation, says Zaionz, goes unabated.

Although the Jewish community is bracing itself for another Zundel trial, ordered by Ontario Attorney-General Ian Scott, Zaionz says "it shouldn't be a big deal if the media don't make it a big deal.

"In the last trial, the difficulty was not so much the amount of exposure (in the media), but that Zundel's arguments were treated as being possibly of the same validity as the counter-arguments. It legitimized all we find abhorrent. That was the press's big mistake."

Today, however, the media are handling Zundel in a different light: "Now he's labelled as a hatemonger and a Nazi sympathizer, which is what he is. We've had some success with the media."

And Zaionz believes there has been no extra anti-semitism as a result of the Zundel trial or, for that matter, no "groundswell" of anti-semitism in Ontario generally.

Although Zaionz has high praise for the conclusions reached by the Deschenes Commisson — that Canada enact "made at home" laws to prosecute 20 Nazi war criminals here — he fears that the recent blocking by two MPs of the unanimous adoption of a government bill that would have put the recommendations into action will delay proceedings by months.

"If the bill goes to committee, the process will be delayed and delays will not help the administration of justice. But by and large, the government's proposals are good."

On the school funding issue, the chairman says the Jewish community's course of action in the face of the ruling not to extend government funds to the 8,200 students in Ontario's Jewish day schools is to "reactivate people in order to address a patent wronging of our community, among others."

On the Sunday closing issue, "our position is balanced. We're not in favor of wide-open Sundays but it would serve the community that stores closed on Saturdays should be allowed to open Sundays." Late last year, Canada's Supreme Court ruled stores cannot open Sundays on religious grounds.

One of the more "distressing" things in the community, Zaionz feels, is the duplication of services and the competition that seems to be taking place among various Jewish communal organizations. "It's a waste of energy and services. The Jewish community should speak with one voice. When it doesn't, things get confusing."

On the plus side, the chairman has been struck by the "sincerity and dedication" shown by the many volunteers associated with CJC in Ontario. Internally, he went on, Congress has attempted to "streamline" operations and services, and will continue to do so.

"You can't please everybody," Zaionz says, "but I hope in the remainder of my term, we can reach some conclusions."

Celebration postponed

OWEN SOUND, Ont. —

A hospitalization and a sudden illness of key figures have forced the postponement of a planned community celebration here on Aug. 2.

The 41st anniversary of Beth Ezekiel Congregation will be celebrated later in the year, according to a community spokesman. The new date is under discussion; details will be made available after it is finalized.

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Skills and abilities "crucial for occupational survival"

Hosek links women's equal status to education

By
VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO —
Women must be valued equally in society and their value hinges on education, says Chaviva Hosek, past president of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women.

Hosek was the keynote speaker at ORT's (Organization for Rehabilitation through Training) 6th Biennial Golden Circle Scholarship luncheon which took place recently at the home of Toronto Golden Circle chairperson, Helen Friedman.

Strive to become more visible

"Education is more than a curriculum or tests passed," said the speaker, a partner at Gordon Capital Corp., and former associate professor of English at the University of Toronto. "It is the education of the whole person that counts.

"Today education must centre on providing the foundation of skills and abilities which are crucial for occupational survival in a rapidly changing world. This is ORT's work. And this is our work as women," Hosek stated.

"The devaluation of women is one of our biggest problems," she told a gathering of close to 100 women of Toronto and Hamilton Women's ORT, each of whom contributed a minimum of $1,000 to attend.

"The sexual jokes, the brutally graphic portrayal of women in films and photography, are all demeaning to women," she said. "Women, unfortunately, have grown used to working without recognition in the home, in volunteer service, and in the workplace . . . and that must stop."

Hosek said women must strive to become more visible in all professions — in law, medicine, in the sciences, and business. They must not be afraid of technological changes, especially the computer, she added. "They, too, must be valued by the men in their lives."

She cited physical fitness, good health, and the ability to read, write and speak cogently, as effective means of enriching women's lives in the future.

Bertha Dermer, National Golden Circle chairperson, praised the membership for its "unstinting efforts" in surpassing its fund raising goals in support of the ORT School of Engineering in Jerusalem. "To date, we have raised $230,000 in Toronto alone," she stated.

Located on the Givat Ram campus of the Hebrew University, the school is the largest project undertaken by ORT in recent years. First opened in 1976, enrolment is 2,500, making it the largest facility of its kind in Israel.

It offers a spectrum of professional studies unavailable anywhere else in the country's system of technical education and has the most comprehensive facilities in Israel for training teachers of technological courses, ORT says.

Also participating in the luncheon were Ruth Abileah, wife of the consul-general of Israel; Ruth Druxerman, honorary vice-president of World ORT Union; Dorothy Shoichet, vice-president of World ORT Union; Harriet Morton, president, Women's Canadian ORT; Marilyn Somers, president, Toronto Women's ORT; and Ilana Pekar, president, Hamilton Women's ORT.

Seen at the ORT 6th Biennial Golden Circle Scholarship luncheon are (from left) Marilyn Somers, Ilana Pekar, Helen Friedman and Bertha Dermer.

$150,000 grant for Ottawa JCC

OTTAWA —
The Jewish Community Centre in Ottawa has been awarded a $150,000 grant, Bernard Grandmaitre, MPP for Ottawa East, recently announced.

The grant will go towards installing an elevator and ramps for the elderly and disabled persons. The project will also include upgrading change rooms and maintenance repairs throughout the building.

The non-repayable funds were awarded under the $6 million Capital Conservation Program.

"The Jewish Community Centre's facilities are available to all members of the community," said John Eakins, Ontario minister of tourism and recreation.

"By upgrading and installing an elevator, the facility will better accommodate those who have difficulty with the stairs," Eakins added.

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Organizations and People

35th anniversary of execution

Toronto to remember murdered Yiddish poets

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —
On Aug. 12 Toronto will join other major cities throughout the world in commemmorating the 35th anniversary of the execution of 24 leading Soviet Yiddish poets and cultural activists.

The event, co-sponsored by the Committee for Yiddish, Toronto Jewish Congress, and the Committee for Soviet Jewry, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, will be held at 8 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Congregation.

The program, chaired by Marsha Slavens, co-chairman of the Soviet Jewry committee, will feature recitations in Yiddish and English of some works by those murdered poets as well as musical selections in Yiddish by a Toronto cantor. Dr. Emanuel Goldsmith, an assistant professor of Hebrew and Judaic Studies at the University of Connecticut and an ordained rabbi, is the keynote speaker.

In an a brochure called The Night of The Murdered Poets, published by the New York-based National Conference on Soviet Jewry, editors Carol Saivetz and Sheila Levin Woods say that the executions in Moscow's Lubianka Prison were not random executions, but the culmination of a calculated campaign that began in 1948 to eradicate Jewish life in the Soviet Union.

In an interview, Ben Prossin, director of the Soviet Jewry committee, and Bess Shockett and Sam Lipshitz, Yiddish committee director and vice-chairman, respectively, said that what began as an evening to commemmorate the murdered poets has evolved into an evening of solidarity with Refuseniks and with the cultural and political struggle of Soviet Jews.

Lipshitz, who has been involved with the event since its birth by the Soviet Jewry committee 15 years ago, said that the usual attendance is about 500 — up gradually from the 250 in the early years. Most of those who attend speak Yiddish but the committees do stress that the keynote speaker must use both languages.

Shockett and Lipshitz said that although there have been many memorable speakers over the years, one of the most moving was writer Esther Markish, the widow of Peretz Markish, the most prominent poet executed.

In 1953, Markish and her 13-year-old son David were exiled to Khazakstan but after Stalin's death two years later the banishment order was rescinded.

Lipshitz described her as a dynamic lady who carried on the battle with the authorities for 6 years until she finally won the right to emigrate to Israel.

"They couldn't intimidate her ... she was one of the few who carried on publicly without fear," he said.

Prossin and Shockett agreed that she was the catalyst for the birth of the Soviet Jewry movement.

That was not the first time that a Soviet emigrant had addressed the gathering. A number of years ago, Benjamin Mandelshtam, a relative of executed poet Osip Mandelshtam, spoke and the husband-and-wife team of Ethel Kovenska and Lev Kogan performed.

Itzik Feffer (right), one of 24 Soviet Jewish poets executed on Aug. 12, 1952 in a Moscow prison, is pictured with Shlomo Mikhoels (centre), an actor and later chairman of the Soviet-organized Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee who was killed by the Soviet secret police in 1948, and Jewish writer Shalom Asch during their visit to Toronto in 1943.

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The menu features a variety of fresh sandwiches, salads, and soups, as well as pastries, fruit and a selection of beverages. The changing daily specials, featuring such combinations as a freshly-made sandwich and salad, pizza bagel and salad, or quiche and salad, plus choice of beverage, are priced at approximately $3.

Opened in March, the WA Cafe (WA stands for Women's Auxiliary, the Baycrest service organization which operates the cafe) is the only hospital-based restaurant in Metro Toronto which is staffed almost fully by volunteers.

The cafe combines good food with philanthropy, says Baycrest. "Not only do diners enjoy the fresh food, but they can also derive pleasure from the fact that their patronage helps to support programs for Baycrest residents, patients and members with Alzheimer's disease."

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Ex-Montrealer finds home at Shaare Zedek

JERUSALEM —

Every now and then Canadian visitors to Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Medical Centre do a double-take, trying to remember just where they know the attractive curly-headed brunette from. She seems to be an Israeli, yet she looks familiar.

Joyce Segal, assistant to the hospital's director of visitor services is, indeed, an Israeli. Yet she's also a Canadian. Born and bred in Montreal (her maiden name is Neamtan), she made aliya in 1974, has been with Shaare Zedek almost two years and considers herself a full-fledged Israeli.

"Israel is home, it's where I want to live," she states emphatically. "People have to come to live here because they want to, not because someone talked them into it."

The Segals had come to Israel in 1971 for a sabbatical year. Husband Mark, a pharmacologist, took the year off from his duties on the medical school faculty at Dalhousie University to spend the time as a visiting professor at Jerusalem's Hebrew University.

Their three children, who were then 10, 7, and 3 years of age, adjusted well to the new life and the Segals returned to Canada determined to come back to Israel permanently as soon as possible.

"No one believed we'd really do it," Joyce recalls. "So many people vow the same thing and never do make it back, but we loved all the things everyone complains about."

They've been back to Canada only twice in the 13 years since they've left, the last time in 1980. Since then, they've always had a child in the army and wouldn't leave the country under such circumstances. Their 19-year-old daughter is currently fulfilling her military commitment.

"When we went back seven years ago, I realized that my children were Israelis," she recalls. "They don't have the North American mentality."

Joyce credits the Israeli school system, which is geared to integrating immigrants, with the ease with which her children became assimilated. As well, Israeli youngsters are more readily accepting of newcomers than are children in North America, she found, and made her children immediately welcome.

A freelance writer in Canada, Joyce taught English to Israeli professionals for a time, then took time off from work, attended an ulpan six years after immigrating and sought a new profession in public relations.

At Shaare Zedek, she helps guide VIPs and other visitors through the hospital, and assists with the organization of social and professional functions such as dinners and international and national conferences, working primarily with people from abroad.

When the Segals made aliya, the friends they had made during the sabbatical year were most helpful, Joyce found. "On a one on one basis, Israelis are very helpful in every way," she says. "Sometimes they hold back because they've had the experience of North Americans leaving after three or four years.

"Israel is not an easy place to live. Economically, it's hard to make ends meet. You have to feel the crunch after three years, when the government assistance to newcomers stops. But wherever you live, you have problems. You just have to decide which problems you want to live with."

Vistors to Shaare Zedek can't help but see her love for the hospital. It's evident in the way she talks about the services and departments and the high regard in which the staff holds her, and vice versa.

"I couldn't do my job if I didn't believe in the hospital," Joyce says. "People would sense that I didn't feel what I say.

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Organizations and People

Private versus non-profit service for seniors

Growth of health care agencies raises questions

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
With the growing number of senior citizens in society taxpayers are eventually going to have to decide how they want health and human services to be delivered, says Michael Scheinert, executive director of Coordinated Services to Jewish Elderly.

For Scheinert, voluntary, non-profit agencies such as CSJE are the route to go to provide such services. However, Daniel Ruth, founder and president of Personicare, a private agency which provides home health care and support services, believes there is room for both groups.

Ruth is a graduate of the University of Toronto's Masters in Health Science Program, specializing in hospital and health administration. He has trained at West Park Hospital, Mount Sinai Hospital and Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care.

In an interview with The Canadian Jewish News, Scheinert said that while the issue is not a new one, there has been an increase in private health care organizations in the last few years which concerns him.

In the spring edition of the CSJE newsletter, Scheinert said that while there may be room for both private and public provision of home support services, he does not believe it is the way to go.

"Voluntary agencies cannot compete, nor should they have to, with the powerful corporate interests slowly encroaching into this field," Scheinert says. "I think these changes will affect the very essence of how we help people, how we function as a caring, compassionate society, and what motivates us in helping."

Ruth disagrees though, saying "the fact that we've grown so substantially in 1½ years proves there is a place for us as a proprietary agency. There is lots of room for us to work with the non-profits."

Scheinert said the basic problem with private agencies is that they are businesses out to make a profit. To do that, he said there is a tendency to cut costs to increase profits.

"Incentives for providing services are different and I think it affects the nature and quality of service they provide," Scheinert told The CJN.

"For the non-profit sector there obviously is not an unlimited source of funds to provide services, but the motive for the provision of service for the profit sector is hardly altruistic in nature."

While Ruth acknowledged that there are some private agencies which may take short cuts in providing service, he said he can provide excellent service and still make money and won't do so at the expense of providing poor service.

He said he charges "whatever the market will bear," which, in some cases, means charging less than non-profit organizations. However, he admitted his prices are not at the low end of the scale because he feels there is a correlation between price and quality of service.

"I'm in business for the long term and if I try to do something now to make a quick dollar I would jeopardize my long-term growth," said Ruth, whose father Sam is president of the Baycrest Centre Foundation and former chief executive officer of Baycrest Centre.

While Scheinert admitted there are some good commercial home care organizations, he said since there are no standardized criteria for providing such services there are questions of providing certain kinds of care for profit in terms of access, accountability and quality.

He said the increase in private home service agencies is partially a result of government shifting its responsibility for human services to the private sector.

"Given the lack of direction and leadership to date in setting guidelines for the provision of human service in the private sector it's probably likely that there may be a requirement to deal with both."

Ruth agreed for the need for some basic regulations for the home support service industry, however he said it should not be as intrusive as those for the nursing home industry.

Ruth is a founding member of the Ontario Home Health Care Providers Association, an organization bringing profit and non-profit health support providers together to ensure government puts standards into place.

"There are people who may have no understanding of the health care system and no feeling for the type of business they should be providing," he said. "Many do not have insurance and are not bonded.

"In my case the company is completely covered in terms of insurance and we do not cut edges," he added.

Not cutting edges for Ruth means each homemaker has gone through Personicare's quality assurance training program and meets the company's basic requirements of a home support worker.

At the moment Personicare has over 400 people going out into people's homes providing a number of services including nursing care, palliative care, maternal and infant care, companionship and homemaking.

Until some sort of regulations are put into place, Ruth advises consumers to shop around when looking for a home support service agency and to ask questions.

This includes asking about the expertise and background of the people who run and operate the agency, whether the agency has insurance, are homemakers bonded and supervised, how are they supervised and how often, the qualifications of the people supervising them and the qualifications of the people coming into the home.

He said his company is developing literature on questions people should ask when shopping around.

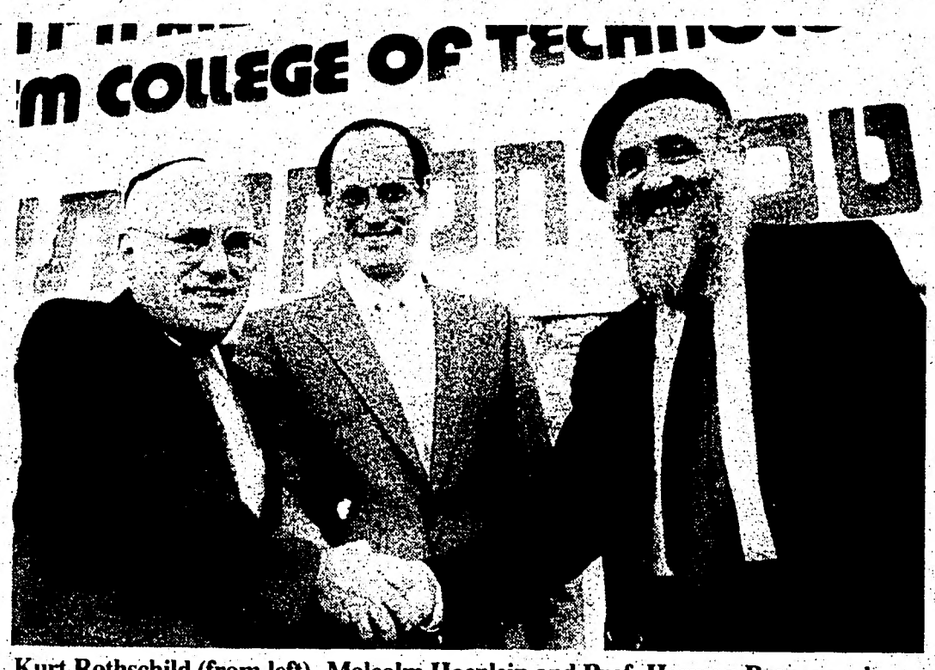
Kurt Rothschild honored

JERUSALEM —
Canadian businessman and philanthropist Kurt Rothschild was one of three men honored recently by the Jerusalem College of Technology here.

Rothschild, Malcolm Hoenlein, executive director of the U.S. Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, and Prof. Herman Branover, a former Soviet scientist who has lived more than 10 years in Israel, received honorary fellowships for their commitment to the college's "unique blend of Torah and technology," said a college spokesman.

Rothschild, of Toronto, was also cited for his longstanding support of Torah education throughout Israel and the Diaspora.

The award ceremony coincided with the conferring of bachelor of technology and applied science degrees on 48 of the college's students. Israel Finance Minister Moshe Nissim addressed the ceremony.



Kurt Rothschild (from left), Malcolm Hoenlein and Prof. Herman Branover share honorary fellowships at Jerusalem College of Technology ceremony.

Coincidentally, the three recipients of honorary fellowships discovered a mutual link in the Soviet Jewry movement for freedom.

In the early 70s, Hoenlein, then director of the Greater New York Conference for Soviet Jewry, was asked by Branover's brother Yishai to intervene after a staged auto accident in the USSR attempted to discredit the scientist and prevent his emigration.

Several years ago, Rothschild undertook to help fund a Jerusalem institute that promotes the translation and distribution of Jewish religious works in Russian, called Shamir, supported by Branover.

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Organizations and People

Evelyn Murialdo to run for NDP

Lawrence riding gets 2nd Jewish candidate

The CJN's pre-Election Watch once again looks at the newly created provincial riding of Lawrence.

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By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

As more Jewish candidates are being drawn into the political arena, more Jews are competing against each other for electoral seats.

In St. Andrew-St. Patrick Larry Grossman is going up against Ron Kanter; in Oriole, Elinor Caplan is going up against Fredelle Brief; and now, in the newly created riding of Lawrence, NDP candidate Evelyn Murialdo will challenge Conservative Dr. David Perry.

The new riding in the City of North York comprises the southern sections of the old ridings of Wilson Heights, Armourdale, Downsview and the northwestern tip of York South. It runs from the western border of North York along Highway 401 to the Allen Rd., to Baycrest Ave., to Bathurst to Old Orchard Grove to the southern limit of North York.

As well as a large Italian population in the western part, this riding of over 74,000 includes over 8,000 Jews including close to 1,900 Yiddish speaking residents — most who live around the Bathurst-Lawrence area.

Murialdo said her party has a "sophisticated" riding association in Lawrence which was looking for a candidate that would represent the ethnic riding — which she feels she does.

Murialdo, a Jewish immigrant from Chile whose parents fled Germany in 1939, first came to Canada in 1967 with her husband and later returned to Canada in 1973 because of a change in Chile's political climate.

She has lived in what is now Lawrence riding since 1976 with her husband Helios, a professor of medical genetics at the University of Toronto, and two daughters, Lorena, 21, and Carolina, 19.

Originally an elementary school teacher, Murialdo later specialized in adult education, literacy and community development. She has done a lot of work with refugees and is currently responsible for literacy in industrialized countries at the International Council for Adult Education in Toronto, which is part of UNESCO (United Nations Education, Science and Technology).

Active in riding association

While she has never sought political office, Murialdo has been active in the NDP riding associations for the past 10 years. She said she was attracted to the party because its policies "respond best to people."

She said that if elected she hopes to have a multilingual office that encourages people to participate in the political process.

"I have great faith in what people can do for themselves," Murialdo said.

Looking at the issues, she said government must ensure that the health system remains open to all and doctors don't extra bill patients. As well, she supported indexing pension plans, pay equity and said the question of aging must be looked at so elderly people who want to remain active in the community can do so.

The former elementary school teacher said heritage languages should be made part of the regular school curriculum.

While supportive of the recently expired political accord between the Liberals and NDP, Murialdo said the Liberals will get credit for many of the reforms which originated with her party.

New foundation supports Hebrew, Yiddish works

MONTREAL —

Dr. Hirsh and Dvorah Rosenfeld, well-known benefactors of Yiddish culture in both Israel and Montreal, have established a new foundation to support Yiddish and Hebrew literature.

The Dr. Hirsh and Dvorah Rosenfeld Foundation for Yiddish Culture will award a prize annually to the writer of a Yiddish or Hebrew work, judged to be most worthy of support.

The first presentation will be made at the fifth plenary session of the World Council for Yiddish, which will be held in Oxford, England, during the summer of 1988.

The Foundation is affiliated with the World Council for Yiddish, in Israel, and with the Foundation for Yiddish Culture, in memory of Jacob Zipper and Shloime Wiseman, of the Yiddish Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress.

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Organizations and People

Toronto House in Beersheba

Dinner to help build dormitory for soldiers

TORONTO —

Proceeds from this year's Tribute to the Soldiers of Zahal Dinner Sept. 9 at the Constellation Hotel, will go towards building Toronto House, a dormitory wing at the Beersheba Soldiers Home.

Toronto House is the latest project of the Toronto branch of the Association for the Soldiers of Israel, sponsor of the dinner. It is the biggest initiative to date undertaken by a Diaspora branch.

The Toronto project, undertaken at the request of the Israel parent body, will provide accommodation for an additional 168 soldiers in 42 bedrooms, as well as recreational facilities at the home. The current capacity of Canada House, United Kingdom House and USA House, a total of 80 bedrooms for 320 soldiers, is inadequate, according to an association spokesman.

"Today, 80 to 140 soldiers are refused accommodation every night because there is no place for them," he said. "In the summer months, many soldiers sleep on the lawn for lack of a place indoors."

Irving Matlow, chairman of the Toronto branch of the Association for the Soldiers of Israel, joins group of soldiers at site of Toronto House.

The project's cost, $2.5 million, has been entirely committed by the Toronto branch of the association.

Co-chairing the benefit dinner-dance, at which some 1,500 guests are expected, are Harry and Malka Rosenbaum.

The evening's guest IDF officer is Col. Yechezkel Daskal, a member of the general staff's manpower section. "He is responsible for the needs and service conditions of Zahal Soldiers," said the association spokesman.

The Beersheba Soldiers Home is the largest hostel provided by the association in Israel for use by the soldiers on active duty in Zahal. A major dining room with ancillary kitchen facilities, (a previous Toronto project) provides 1,200 meals daily. The dining hall is frequently used by army units of the southern command for celebrations. There are several lounges in this complex, with refreshment canteens manned by volunteers of the association. Classrooms, a well-stocked library, a dispensary and a Shakem (army canteen) are included.

Beersheba has two special facilities particularly appreciated by the soldiers, said the spokesman. A special shower room is open to soldiers in transit or to those who have spent a day of duty in the desert. The Olympic-sized outdoor swimming pool is a social centre and a refreshing spot to overcome the heat of the Negev. The pool is open not only to soldiers using the centre, but to all disabled veterans, and to the soldiers and their families who serve in the permanent forces.

New facilities

The operating budget for all the facilities and programs undertaken by the association is raised from the citizens of Israel. Added capital expenditures for new facilities can only be undertaken with support from abroad.

The cornerstone laying ceremony for Toronto House will take place during the Toronto branch tour of Israel, Oct. 26 to Nov. 2. Construction of the building will commence January, 1988.

Tickets for the tribute dinner are $150 per person. There is also a patron category at $1,000 and a sponsor of $1,800. Reservations can be made through the association office 788 Marlee Ave. by phoning (416) 783-3053.

Healthwatch

Researchers immunize mice against cancer

Compiled by
DAVID BIRKAN

Researchers at Bar-Ilan University, in Ramat Gan, Israel, are seeking to apply to humans their discovery that mice can be immunized against cancer and bacterial infection with protein from a lethal germ.

Prof. Nechama Gilboa-Garber, Dr. Judith Leibovitzi, Dody Avichezer, and Dora Sudakevich found that mice given lectins — a kind of sugar binding protein from pseudomonas aeruginosa bacteria — survived lethal doses of the live bacteria, whereas non-inoculated mice died.

Mice vaccinated with lectins suffered no ill effects from injections of cancer cells; unvaccinated mice all developed tumors and died.

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Formerly harmless skin and nasal bacteria mutated by antibiotics have killed hundreds of hospital patients in Britain and Australia in recent years.

Dr. Richard Smith, assistant editor of the British Medical Journal, told the London Observer that the presence of certain methicillan-resistant bacteria in infections developed by hospital patients have proven fatal.

Prof. Gilboa-Barber
...lectin vaccines

The bacteria's continuous exposure to broad-spectrum antibiotics have made them practically invulnerable. "If the bacteria become resistant to vanomycin (a specific antibiotic), medicine could be put back to the days when even minor infections could kill," said Smith.

"Careless" prescription of antibiotics by physicians has been blamed for the mutations.

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Physicians are asked to suspect child abuse in cases of swallowed foreign objects, caustics, or acids.

Dr. Ellen Friedman, assistant professor at Harvard Medical School and a physician at Boston's Children's Hospital, told a convention of nose, throat and ear specialists "to be prepared to make referrals so that such children are not submitted to further injuries."

She described how a father continued to feed his 8-month-old daughter her formula by scooping it from the floor, broken glass and all, after he had dropped the bottle. In another case, a 6-month-old child was forced by her parents to swallow a thumbtack, a screw and a carpet tack.

Friedman also detailed examples of Meadow's Syndrome, in which the parent can deliberately poison the child then seek medical help and demonstrate extreme concern with the child's welfare.

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Cigarette smoking continues to grow more quickly than the population increase, according to statistics recently published by the UN's World Health Organization.

Highest per capita rates of cigarette consumption and lung cancer mortality are still found in the industrialized countries. The steepest rise in smoking over the past 10 years took place in developing countries.

In Canada, cigarette smoking has increased by 13.6% over the past decade, while the population has risen by 12.9%.

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Recent studies suggest that baby boomers are more mentally unstable than their predecessors.

According to the Los Angeles Times, two independent research teams found mounting evidence that the incidence of common psychiatric disorders like depression is far more widespread among Americans born after World War II than in previous generations.

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Burping cows are reported as presenting the latest threat to the Earth's atmosphere.

The culprit is methane, whose rising level in the atmopshere is currently attributed to cows who burp out the gas as they eat and digest. According to estimates presented in an American Chemical Society meeting in Denver, the world's 1.3 billion cows (up from 800 million in 1950) add 120 billion tonnes of methane to the atmosphere in one year.

Tanenbaum honored

NEW YORK —

Toronto philanthropist Joseph Tanenbaum was given the Yavneh V'Hachomeha Award at the recent annual American Friends of Yeshivat Kerem B'Yavneh dinner for his involvement with the Israeli yeshiva.

Tanenbaum, told the gathering, which honored scholarship donors, that he was "most impressed by the quality of the students at the yeshiva" and deeply moved by the reception given him. The industrialist announced that he has undertaken a major project to further the yeshiva's development and expansion.

Rabbi Raphael Marcus of Toronto's B'nai Torah Congregation spoke to pay tribute to Tanenbaum.

The presentation was made by Bernard Hochstein, president of American Friends of Kerem B'Yavneh, and its director Eli Klein.

Yeshivat Kerem B'Yavneh pioneered the idea of a "hesder yeshiva" in which Israeli students combine their army service with a full yeshiva program. It is the first and largest of the hesder yeshivot with over 400 students, 20% of whom come from overseas countries, the major portion from the U.S. and Canada.

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Organizations and People

Its violence "educates" masses, says Jacobovici

Anti-democratic ideology tied to terrorism

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —
Society cannot win the war against terrorism until it understands and rejects the anti-democratic ideology that inspires and sustains it, filmmaker and journalist Simcha Jacobovici said recently.

Terrorists, Jacobovici told a group at the Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, are guided by an elitist, anti-democratic ideology that openly advocates violence as the means to educate the "unconscious masses."

And unless the vocabulary of terrorism is rejected, and an unrelenting war fought against it, society cannot hope to win, he said at a lecture sponsored by the synagogue's adult education and youth committees.

It is a mistake to believe that terrorists are simply deranged individuals raised in desperate living conditions, said Jacobovici who has an MA in international relations from the University of Toronto.

What they do makes sense to them on the level which they operate, he said. Supported by an all embracing ideology, terrorists see themselves engaged in ethical behavior aimed at liberating society from an evil system.

Good people in that system, terrorists believe, prevent the masses from realizing its inherent evil.

By killing those people, said Jacobovici, terrorists believe they create the dissonance the masses need to lead them to overthrow the ruling regime.

Thus everyone in society is a target for terrorists, especially children, the most potent symbol of innocence. "You always shoot at the person the masses are least likely to expect as a target."

Terrorists regard such acts as expressions of love — an individual child may be sacrificed for the sake of saving all the children. And a child living in an unjust society, say terrorists in their efforts to "demystify murder," has "died" already.

So, continued Jacobovici, terrorists consider claims about the sanctity of human life to be a means by which a corrupt society maintains itself. "Once you accept their premise, the rest makes sense."

What do terrorists want to accomplish ?

Terrorist seek to overthrow democracy, said Jacobovici, and when their ideology is elevated to the same level as democracy, they've won part of the battle.

They have learned, he said, to tailor their activities to what is news so that the media will spread their message.

And while terrorists hammer away with their value-laden vocabulary ("Zionist entity") in their effort to shape the world view, the media respond with such neutral terms as "guerrilla."

"They don't accept our terminology, but we are beginning to crumble; we are beginning to accept theirs."

In response, democracies can either do nothing and give in, or react with the harsh measures terrorists believe will spur the masses to rebellion. "If you do nothing they win; if you do everything they win."

Simcha Jacobovici

Do terrorists then have the advantage ?

Jacobovici argued they do not because they are small in number and because their claims to power are in many ways illusory.

With a concerted, international political, military and economic effort, the war against terrorism can be won, "but you can't win against an enemy you don't understand. The arguments the terrorist make aren't crazy — they are just evil."

Quoting from columnist and commentator George Will, Jacobovici said: "What will make for less terrorism in the world is less terrorists."

Jacobovici is now working on a feature film, Going For Gold, produced by Second City. He earlier considered the ideology of terrorism in the September 1981 issue of Middle East Focus. Many of his recent remarks were drawn from that article.

1981 Toronto ethnic study

Italians, Jews running 1-2

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
Jews represented the second largest ethnic group living in Metropolitan Toronto in 1981 with the highest concentration residing in North York, according to a new study by the Social Planning Council of Metropolitan Toronto.

Metropolitan Social Profile, 1981, makes use of computer drawn maps of unpublished information from the 1981 census to portray the distribution of people by social and economic characteristics across Metro Toronto. The report contains information on ethnicity, dwelling characteristics, education attainment, labor force, employment and income.

Looking at ethnicity, the study reports that the largest ethnic group living in Metro in 1981 was of Italian ancestry, followed by Jews with 97,820 people.

The City of North York accounted for the heaviest concentration as 68,395 or 12.3% of this city's population were Jewish. This compares to 3.7% for the City of Toronto and 4.6% for Metro Toronto.

The highest concentrations of Jews resided along Bathurst St. north from Davenport Rd., bounded by Avenue Rd. on the east, Steeles Ave. to the north and Dufferin St. to the west. There were two other areas of high Jewish ethnicity of over 20% in Metro Toronto. One occurred along Bayview Ave. north of Eglinton Ave. to Highway 401 and Leslie St. on the east. The second area was east of Bayview Ave. and north of Finch Ave.

In 1981 there were 4,965 Jews living in the City of York, 400 living in the Borough of East York, 915 residing in the City of Etobicoke and 1,250 in the City of Scarborough.

According to the study the number of people over 55 living in Metro Toronto increased by 59,650 or 15.6% from 1976 to 1981. About half of that increase occurred among those 65 and over. Coupled with this is the reality that four times as many women as men over 65 were living alone in Metro Toronto in 1981. Less than one-third of all women in Metro 65 and over were living with a spouse, while more than 70% of similarly aged men were living with a spouse.

While the number of husband-wife families with children declined by 10,990 or 3.6% from 1976 to 1981, the number of lone-parent families increased by 12,635 or 20.8% to 73,395 in 1981. One in seven children, or 120,000, were living in lone-parent families in 1981, and 85% of these families were headed by women.

The employment picture improved slightly for lone parent families as the proportion not working decreased from 41% to 35% between 1976 and 1981.

Make up 12.3% in North York

Poverty still remained problem

Poverty still remained a problem in 1981, the study notes, as nearly 17% of families in the City of Toronto had incomes below the povery line. The proportion of families with income below the poverty line was slightly over 11% in Metro Toronto's suburban areas developed in the period 1961-1981 and it was 7.3% in suburban areas of Durham, Peel and York.

The study also reports:

- **There were an additional 50,000 persons — one third more — living alone in 1981 than in 1976 in Metro Toronto, a continuation of the trend towards smaller household units, and twice as many as lived alone in 1971.**
- Both partners were employed in 57% of husband-wife families.
- Over 60% of women aged 15 years and over were employed.
- Almost one half of the dwellings in Metro were built between 1961 and 1981, while 27% were built between 1946 and 1960 and 24% — 54% in the City of Toronto — were built before 1946.
- The proportion of people who moved in the five years prior to the census declined to 45% in 1981 from 52% in 1976.

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Fashion

Edie Johne collection

Designer presents flattering, feminine separates

Toronto designer Edie Johne has created a collection of flattering, feminine separates for fall and winter.

The line, an array of knits, tweeds, worsted wools and flannel wools, is divided into six major groups.

The first is a selection of sporty, tailored garments in warm neutrals including a camel shade with a blush of pink. Here a head-to-toe palette is emphasised and a matching coat is provided for the total look. Leather, crocodile and skin-textured belts add the finishing touch.

The second group is a line of relaxed coordinates. It features traditional gray flannel menswear district checks, fine knits and long-haired luxury yarns. A wrap coat is one of this collection's most important contributions to the season's fashion scene.

Warm tweeds

The third selection is an elegant, feminine group of warm tweeds mixed with soft pastels and neutrals. Sheer fabrics are combined with worsted wools, flannel and tweed. Once again, leather and crocodile belts add a final luxurious touch. And, in this selection of separates, jackets are soft-sleeved and full.

The fourth group is based on what Johne calls the "precise suit"; a feminine, tailored combination that can take a woman from the boardroom to dinner.

These suits, which are all made of 100% worsted wool, come in a number of colors including navy, black, heather tones of gray, camel, ivory and autumn shades such as hunter green and berry.

In terms of style, Johne has focussed on a shaped silhouette and waist detail. There are peplum jackets with seamed and belted waists; lapels with button detailing; zipper closings; rounded, padded shoulders; knee-length skirts; gored or full long skirts and pleated skirts with drop, box or release styling.

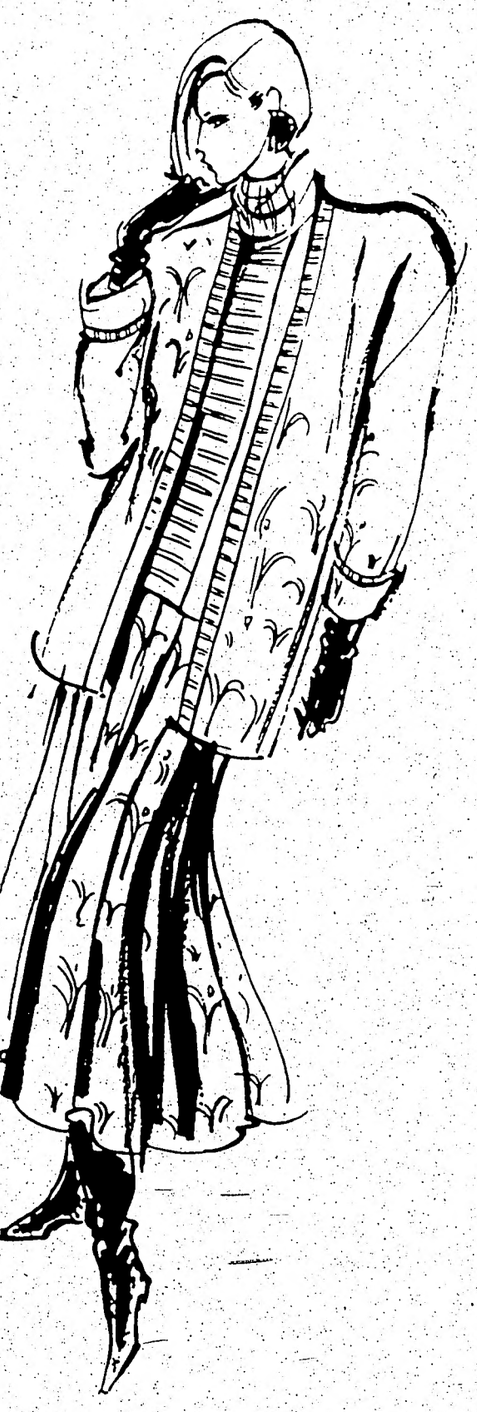
The fifth group of designs was inspired by the color and fashion heritage of central Europe. This collection includes long, full, embroidered skirts in rich black worsted wool flannel; dark, lustrous trims; soutache frogs; jet buttons; smocked blouses and skirts; flared coats and Russian-inspired suits and coats.

The last group, a selection of clean, classic knits in 100% merino wool, represents Johne's newest design venture.

The collection features short, jacket-like cardigans; long cardigans worn over coordinating pullovers and a variety of fashion sweaters. These tops are matched with a group of 100% worsted wool skirts, pants, tailored jackets and coats.

Here, Johne considers the basic blazer to be the number one fashion silhouette. And, details such as large, flap pockets, a flared back with a little martingale and soft, full sleeves give the design a look that is pure 1987.

Part of the fall collection from designer Edie Johne.



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Oggi Moda brings best of Italian fashion to Toronto

By
LORI SMITH

Renowned for its high quality and distinctive design, Italian fashion is at the vanguard of design.

In Toronto, Oggi Moda, a small store located at 2991 Bathurst St., is devoted to bringing the best of Italian fashion and jewelry to the men and women of the city.

The store houses three separate sections: Oggi Moda Boutique for women; Oggi Moda Uomo for men and The Ultimate Collection, which offers unique fashion jewelry and accessories from France, Israel and the United States as well as Italy.

Store features jewelry boutique

The jewelry boutique, which is owned by Lillian Stein, concentrates on top quality costume jewelry that adds unusual and elegant finishing touches to any season's fashions.

Stein says that because of the possibility of theft or loss and the need for insurance, people don't want to travel with or wear precious jewelry.

"Owning it is a hassle but this jewelry is attractive and makes a statement. No one has ever asked me where I got my diamond stud earrings but they have asked me where I got these pieces. It's different and it completes an outfit."

Most of the necklaces, earrings, bracelets and belts in the collection are dramatic and fairly large. Stein says that women often start out wearing the smaller pieces and then graduate to the larger items once they have gained some confidence and feel secure wearing them.

She says that the jewelry she carries is non-seasonal. The collection includes a number of pieces in sterling silver, ceramic or with semi-precious stones. All of it is carefully selected by Stein.

Some of the most outstanding pieces in the group are by Italian designer Regina Schrecker. One unique item is a gold chain chatelaine with white quartz detail. It can be worn around the neck, the waist or attached to a belt. Only lack of imagination limits its uses.

Sterling silver pins by Bat Ami are also unusual and versatile. A large bow can be worn as a broach, on a belt or on a silver neck piece or chain. It is a simple but dramatic accessory.

Other pieces feature quartz, moss agate, crystal, rhinestones, pearls and zirconia, a stone with the look, hardness and refracted brilliance of real diamonds.

Unusual array of belts

The belts she offers are similarly unusual. One is a cord in ceramic and crystal with a serpent's head buckle. Another is a simple black belt with a large gold bow.

Stein says that women are often better off buying a belt to update their wardrobe and that with imagination they can interpret and use the pieces in their own way.

Pina Martinelli, the co-owner of Oggi Moda Boutique, says that she doesn't like to take more than two of the same pieces from any designer.

"I don't want everybody to wear the same thing. We carry a variety of designers and try to get one-of-a-kind garments."

This fall and winter she will be carrying both long and short skirts and says no woman should have the problem of being out of style because of the spectrum of designs available.

The season's color palette will include lots of browns, forest green, purple and classic shades such as black and white.

Martinelli says the most important feature of the boutique is the exclusivity of the fashions it offers women.

This exclusivity is carried over in the men's section of the store.

Glen D'Costa, the menswear salesperson at Oggi Moda Uomo, says that they have an array of styles from classic to modern and carry well-known lines such as Modaclub, West Company, Foralli, Dario Villa, Reniscence, Basile, Tomary, Versace, Talento, Valentino, Pancaldi and Luciano Soprani.

This fall and winter their collection will include sweaters with snakeskin detail and trim; leather jackets and pants; classic wool suits; denim pieces with embroidered with leather and snakeskin; ski-look jackets in parachute material; 1940-style dinner suits in silk and linen; silk double-knit shirts, and an extensive line of winter coats. Grays, blacks and browns will be the dominant colors.

D'Costa points out that Italy is always two years ahead in fashion and the clothes in the store represent those advances.

Model Mimi Rothman wears an Italian designed 100% fine wool black and white stripe jacket, over a tiered wool print skirt. Highlighted by sterling silver earrings with cubic zirconia stones — sterling silver bow — sterling silver bracelet with cubic zirconia stones. All available at Oggi Moda Boutique. (Marie-Josee Crete photo)

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Fashion

Julie Shilander makes impact

B.C. designer creates original, witty knitwear

A sweater from Julie Shilander's knitwear collection.

VANCOUVER — Julie Shilander, formerly an assistant to New York designers Calvin Klein and Carol Horn, is currently manufacturing a knitwear collection under her own label.

The media: gutsy cotton knitted sweaterwear; and for this fall, a new grouping of charcoal heather wool tweed, sporting bright 100% cotton graphics.

Shilander, drawing on her background as a fashion illustrator and textile print designer, creates an original and witty knitwear collection.

Often regarded as the signature motif of the collection, Shilander does this season's portrait close-up. In fresco coloration of natural, petal pink, chalky teal and topaz, they will be paired with the new graphics pattern.

Spring's crest grouping has evolved into a modern white, black and topaz computer dot version of the cameo, sporting prep-school stripping around the funnel necks and on one sleeve.

The cameo-crest is printed out large and black on backs of red, roomy cardigans. The black/-white/topaz and the black/white/red versions of the collection's signal flag check turtleneck sweater will be balanced by ankle grazing black and white blocked circle skirts, and flat black rubber firemen's boots.

All will be accessorized with black caps and goggles. Incidentally, this is a crossover group, suitable in spirit for men and women.

The 2-toned knitted graphics motif, actually inspired from a xeroxed, high-contrast copy of a sweater swatch which was then enlarged, has a jaspe or marled appearance when done up in black and white. When colored in natural with white, a few black spots strewn cleverly across the sweater remind one of animal tracks on fresh snow.

The focus always returns to the uncomplicated signature shapes that serve as canvas for creative intarsia graphic design. Knitted in the highest quality cotton yarn, and featuring distinctive fully-fashioned shaping, these cotton sweaters are shipped to stores in well-planned color groupings.

Strong basic colors such as black, white, cream and navy cross seasons and are coordinated with fresh color stories as the new groupings within a collection is usually presented in two complete and different color palette options.

All groups contain 12 basic pieces including the classic raglan crewneck, the tunic, the sleeveless tunic, skirt and cardigan.

Each group contains one or two "newsmakers" or "conversation piece" motifs: a portrait or a unique graphic composition. These are the specialty item sweaters.

Also included in a group are one or two geometric motifs, similar in theme and color to the "conversation pieces," and merchandising well with them. These geometrics are usually cross-referenced to function in a completely separate group with a different theme and color story.

The target customer for Julie Shilander: the knitwear collection chooses a witty, relaxed, sophisticated but very comfortable and flexible wardrobe style.

It is a unique image, for the woman who is aware of fashion trends, but has sufficient sense of self to express her own lifestyle through her wardrobe. The premise is that in an active lifestyle; one in which a career, children, traveling and entertaining balance, it is important to look great, with minimal fuss, pressing and time investment.

Social expectations do not inhibit her to feel comfortable and well "dressed" in casual, but unique selections from the collections.

The knitwear collection is available in S,M,L, for women and selected styles for men are avaialble in S,M,L,XL. Retail prices range from $135 to $260. The firm now services 12 accounts located in Vancouver, Kelowna, Prince George, Banff, Whistler, Toronto and Halifax.

Originally from Euclid, Ohio, Julie Shilander has a degree from Cornell University, later supplemented by training at Parsons School of Design in New York.

Her first few years as an independent designer were in Mexico City, where her two young daughters were born. She and her husband have chosen Vancouver as their home and business base, because of quality of life considerations.

Vancouver firm offers a collection of many moods

VANCOUVER — For fall, Zeitgeist presents a collection reflective of many moods. Although Zeitgeist has freely exercised styling, the color scheme for fall has been limited to the full spectrum of subdued neutrals.

Black, taupe, navy and charcoal stand alone with white. The use of accent colors has been strictly limited to teal and saratoga orange.

When the picture has to be black and white, nothing represents it better than the perfect houndstooth. Zeitgeist has it paired with black and white coordinates.

Softly tailored jackets over skirts that graze the body with flowing gores or wraps create focus at the waist.

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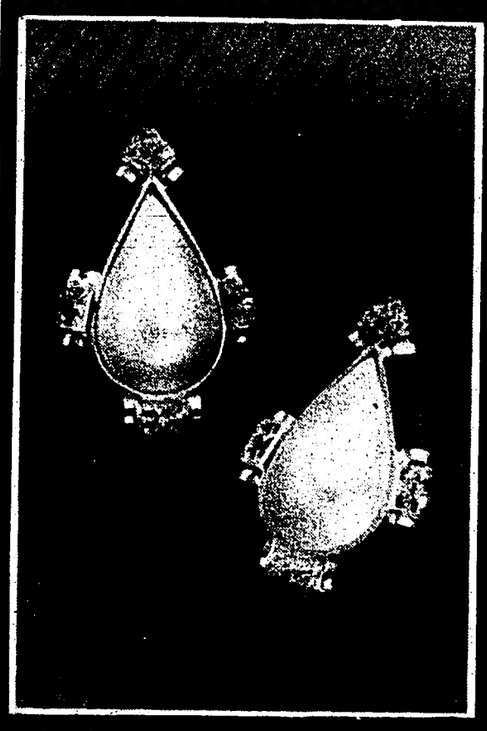

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Casual look at Signal

By
MARLA KAUSFATER

Ian Howard has opened Signal, a menswear store with the emphasis on casual dressing.

Howard's family has always been in the clothing business. His mother is in retail ladies' wear, his sister is a buyer for ladies' wear and his grandfather and uncles are manufacturers of sportswear and bridal gowns.

Why men's clothing? "I believe that menswear is experiencing the type of change that ladies' wear went through 10 years ago," says Howard.

"Separates have become the emphasized garment rather than suiting or dresses.

"Men are spending more time in leisure clothing. They are moving away from traditional suits and combining sweaters and pants as a comfortable alternative."

At Signal, the decor maintains the non-traditional aspect of this store. The oak flooring and matching shelving units produce a theatrical stage effect and the stained teal color promotes a pleasant ambience for shopping.

Why did he pick Eglinton Ave.? "Eglinton is presently going through a rejuvenation and becoming more boutiquey. I felt there was a need for this type of menswear store. Our service is very personalized, not pressurized. We assess an individual's fashion needs and try to build a wardrobe that is conducive with his lifestyle."

Some of the designer lines to look for at Signal are: Gianfranco Ruffini, Girbaud, Boston Trader, Willi Wear, Basco, New Man and Generra.

The sizing ranges from 28 to 40 and small to extra large.

Boston Trader nautical 100% cotton sweater over Gianfranco Ruffini 100% cotton piquay pants. Available at Signal in Toronto. (Ronny Shinder photo)

Canadians show collections at Monte Carlo event

MONTE CARLO —

New design talent featured strongly at the 5th Festival International du Lin in Monte Carlo recently.

The bi-annual Linen Festival provided an opportunity for the linen and textile industries to meet in the presence of designers and fashion writers from all over the world and to exchange views on subjects of mutual interest.

The Festival International du Lin, which is organized by the Western European Linen Industry in cooperation with the EEC, culminated in a fashion spectacular at which the 1987 Fil d'Or (the yarn of gold) Awards were presented. Canada was represented by designers Emily Zarb and Jean-Claude Poitras.

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Arts

Packs enormous dramatic clout

Fences a poignant analysis of Black life in America

GERRY MORRIS, the CJN critic of New York plays, is a member of the Outer Critics Circle, Drama Desk and the American Theatre Critics Association.

NEW YORK —

Putting intelligent compassion in writing together with feelings is an art that few American dramatists today seem to care about.

Now and then however, a playwright emerges from the theatrical shrubbery to remind us how neglected the art is. Such a playwright is August Wilson, a Black high school dropout from Pittsburgh.

Fences is a poignant analysis of the pressures and pain of being Black in America. The characters are simple, the language poetic. The universality of its material is reminiscent of Arthur Miller's Death Of A Salesman, as well as of the sociological plays of Clifford Odets, who chronicled the bitter struggle of Jewish life in depression America.

August Wilson in Fences attempts to do the same thing for his people in the pre-civil rights America of the industrial north in the late 50s.

Fences tells the story of Troy Maxson, an aging former Negro League baseball star who feels fenced in coping with the responsibilities and stresses of heading a family and settling for the paycheck of a sanitation worker.

Troy is a teller of raunchy jokes, a womanizer, a tyrannical father and a difficult husband. He is embittered by the forces, time and racism, that cheated him out of a major league career.

Early in the play his buddy tells him: "Only two men hit a baseball harder'n you — Babe Ruth and Josh Gibson." But like Gibson, Troy came along before Jackie Robinson broke the color barrier.

"Professional sport is a white man's world," he wails, even though this was the late 50s when Hank Aaron and Willy Mays were coming into their prime.

Although Troy, played by James Earl Jones, is the central character in Fences, his wife Rose (Mary Alice) clearly touches a deep nerve. For 18 years she has given him her love and bone-weary support only to have him confess his betrayal with a younger woman whose child he has fathered.

In a brief scene she lashes out — fists clenched and voice trembling. She says it all in explosive rage: "Don't you think I ever wanted other things? Don't you think I had dreams and hopes? What about my life? What about me?"

The confrontation between husband and wife, father and son are written in crisp, clean, heart-wrenching dialogue that clears the fences with towering impact.

To hear Troy reflect on his troubled relationship with his own father is to realize that the compelling chain of events will be repeated with agonizing results.

A complex and tormented man, Troy prevents his younger son Cory (Courtney Vance) from accepting a football scholarship, a chance denied him 20 years earlier. A Black man's salvation, says Troy, "is a paycheck on hand now — this Friday." The white man, he growls suspiciously, "ain't gonna let you get nowhere with that football no way."

Raw nerve ends are exposed when Cory confronts his awesomely powerful father with the loaded accusation: "How come you ain't never liked me? You scared I'm gonna be better than you?"

James Earl Jones is one of America's greatest living actors and strikes an imposing and unforgettable presence as the tragic Troy.

Gerry Morris in caricature by Al Hirschfeld.

Mary Alice also gives a prodigious performance as the long-suffering wife who tries to bring love and solace to her husband's turbulent life.

Courtney Vance is riveting as the younger son, browbeaten by his father's loveless rigidity. There are other first-rate performances by Ray Aranha as Troy's friend, Charles Brown as the older son, and Frankie B. Faison as the war damaged brother. Lloyd Richards directs with raw power.

This is a play that packs enormous dramatic clout, and audiences are blistering their palms applauding it, and so they should. It swept all the awards as best play of the year, including the Pulitzer Prize, Tony Award (including individual awards to Jones, Alice, Vance and Richards) and the New York Drama Critics Circle Award.

Fences can proudly take its place alongside such outstanding Black plays as Native Son, The Great White Hope and Raisin In The Sun.

Fences is at the 46th Street Theatre, 226 West 46th St., New York. For tickets call Teletron at (212) 246-0102.

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Remember the classic 1935 movie version of Les Miserables, co-starring Fredric March and Charles Laughton? It created a sensation in its time. That sensation has been demoted to microscopic stature by the emergence of the blockbuster musical version of Les Miserables, now appearing at the Broadway Theatre in Manhattan.

Prior to its New York opening, it enjoyed enormous success in both Paris and London. Its current advance sale is an unprecedented $19 million. The show is slated to open in 20 countries, and Toronto audiences will see it in the 1988-89 season under the enterprising banner of Ed and David Mirvish. The winner of 8 Tony Awards, including Best Musical, there seems little doubt that it will become the biggest hit in theatre history.

Victor Hugo's monumental novel (1,300 gripping pages) about social injustice in 19th century France has been distilled into 3½ hours of non-stop operatic treatment (there is no spoken dialogue). The work was adapted by Alain Boublil and Claude-Michel Schonberg who also wrote the music. Schonberg's rich score is handsomely matched by Herbert Kretzmer's clean, gracefully turned lyrics.

The action centres on the epic account of Jean Valjean, who spent 19 years in prison because he stole a loaf of bread. He escapes by jumping parole, and one merciful act by a kind priest is the catalyst that sets him on the path of good deeds and revolutionary fervor. Relentlessly pursuing him throughout is Inspector Javert, whose personal code about the sanctity of the law is as demanding as Valjean's unyielding faith in moral integrity.

Over the years Valjean under various identities achieves wealth and status which he uses with generous spirit for victims of oppression. Fantine, one of his workers with an illegitimate child, Cosette, attracts his compassion. He adopts the girl, and eventually saves her wounded fiance, Marius, while the saint-like Valjean dies on the barricades of Paris in the People's Revolution of 1832.

This sprawling canvas of social degradation and upheaval wouldn't spring to mind as material for a popular musical, but the overall effect is quite impressive. Whatever problems there are in the libretto are commercially compensated for by advanced stage technology which appears to be a principal ingredient for success of a musical today. The stage wizardry glides throughout the multi-character 2-decade-long story with clock-like precision.

Some of the sets by John Napier are stunningly inventive, notably the Paris slum which pivots spectacularly to become a barricade.

Colm Wilkinson as Valjean has a strong tenor voice and a powerful stage presence. Standouts in supporting roles both histrionically and vocally are Randy Graff (Fantine), David Bryant (Marius), Judy Kuhn (Cosette) and Terrence Mann (Javert). Director Trevor Nunn and John Caird have combined forces to deliver a spectacle brimming with crafty showmanship and stellar performances.

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Event to feature pianist Burashko

TORONTO —

Young symphony pianist Andrew Burashko will be featured in the Sinai Musical Legacy Award concert, Wednesday, Aug. 12, 8 p.m., at the Temple Sinai Synagogue.

Admission to the event, at 210 Wilson Ave., is free.

Burashko, 21, will be making his debut with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra in October. He has played with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra since 1983.

Born into a musical family in Moscow, Burashko came to Canada in 1973. He began intensive piano studies at age nine.

He graduated from Toronto's Royal Conservatory of Music in 1983 where he studied at a special course for gifted young musicians, and was the recipient of numerous scholarships.

Burashko has been a winner of many competitions, including the Canadian National Music Competition. At present he is studying with Lee Kam-Sing at the University of British Columbia.

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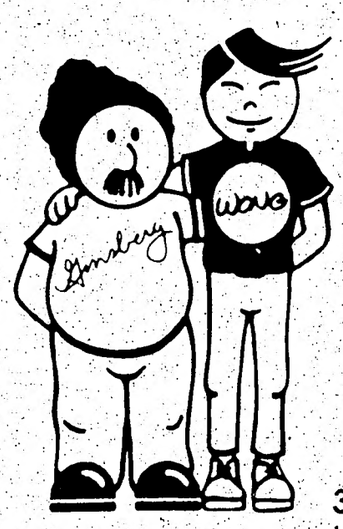

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Years will render final verdict on controversial rabbi

Slonim's outspoken, splenetic memoir sure to jar

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

To Kill A Rabbi, by Reuben Slonim, ECW Press, $22.

This outspoken memoir — revealing and splenetic — is calculated to ruffle feathers, engender indignation, stimulate the bile and bring on heartburn. The author confides that it was rejected by 20 Canadian publishing houses.

At 73, looking back on an often stormy and contentious 50-year career, Reuben Slonim has few regrets. He remains stubborn in the conviction that "one must follow the prophetic example and speak out, for the cost of not speaking out is greater than the cost of speaking out. By not speaking out one kills his own spirit without which he can neither work nor live.

"By speaking out he risks attempts by congregation and community to gag him, something with which he can learn to live with, for he has sole control over his inner being.

What is most astonishing about this book is the author's willingness to name names and describe well known Torontonians in terms most unflattering.

In his prologue to the book, the author regrets that the seminary he attended did not teach him "how to parry the feeling that congregants are scum, low-born canaille, anonymous refuse, a herd of elephant-bodied, seal-necked, heaving, surging, slowly writhing, barking monsters; iguanodons, mammoths and mastodons...A rabbi must travel in the company of agony, pain and despair."

Part of Slonim's problem was that he wanted to quickly transform his congregation from Orthodoxy to "Progressive" Conservatism. He describes bitter and protracted battles over such issues as the price of cemetery plots, religious equality for women, the wider use of synagogue facilities, relations with the non-Jewish community and his outspoken views on Zionism in Israel.

The amalgamation of the McCaul Street and University Avenue synagogues that led to the creation of Beth Tzedec was for him a traumatic experience. Slonim decided to support the merger even though he suspected that, eventually, it would cost him his job.

He is almost abject in his confession of spiritual weakness. "In retrospect I had agreed to amalgamation for one reason, one I did not confide to anyone — ambition. In darkness and silence I nursed it. I wanted a large congregation, perhaps the largest in Canada, so that I might have power to implement my ideas without hindrance, power to stand up to my adversaries who had plagued me for years."

"Betrayal" of values

In discussing his rival for the post of senior rabbi at Beth Tzedec, the author indulges in a form of masochistic mea culpa: "With hindsight I am now able to recognize that the greater share of the blame for placing us both in an impossible contest was mine....I had abandoned the dictates of the spirit intrinsic in Jewish attitudes and allowed myself to be a participant in power politics."

Over the years the author has been insulted, reviled, physically attacked — and even threatened on a number of occasions with death. He has persisted in his views and suffered widespread community opposition and obloquy.

For him what was happening in Israel "was the betrayal of the Zionist values of Theodor Herzl, Ahad Ha'am, Martin Buber and David Ben-Gurion, the Zionist founding fathers. For them Zionism was built on justice and equality for all, ideals expressed in Israel's Declaration of Independence. Ben-Gurion, who was faced with the practical problems of dealing with the Arabs, announced that he would be prepared to surrender all the territories conquered in the Six Day War of 1967 in exchange for peace . . . Tragically, there has probably never been a nation so embarrassed by its own Declaration of Independence."

Slonim's ideas no longer seem radical or outlandish. Was he a prophet ahead of his time? The years will render the final verdict.

Slonim is an experienced writer and To Kill a Rabbi is filled with striking passages, colorful characters and eloquent declarations.

Several of the book's stylistic features are irritating. For some reason Slonim decided not to use the word Toronto. Instead he substitutes the term Pumpion, the name of an obscure village of Eastern Europe. "The name fitted Toronto Jews as smoothly as nylon."

Moreover, the book's title, despite the author's explanation of a recurrent nightmare, is over-dramatic. Finally, I found jarring the use of quotation marks around eloquent speeches and well-rounded conversations that took place long ago. Recollected in tranquility and scrupulously polished they take on a false verbal sheen.

How are we to evaluate this rabbinical apologia pro vita sua? The response, of course, will be varied. But no one should overlook the author's tenacity and courage.

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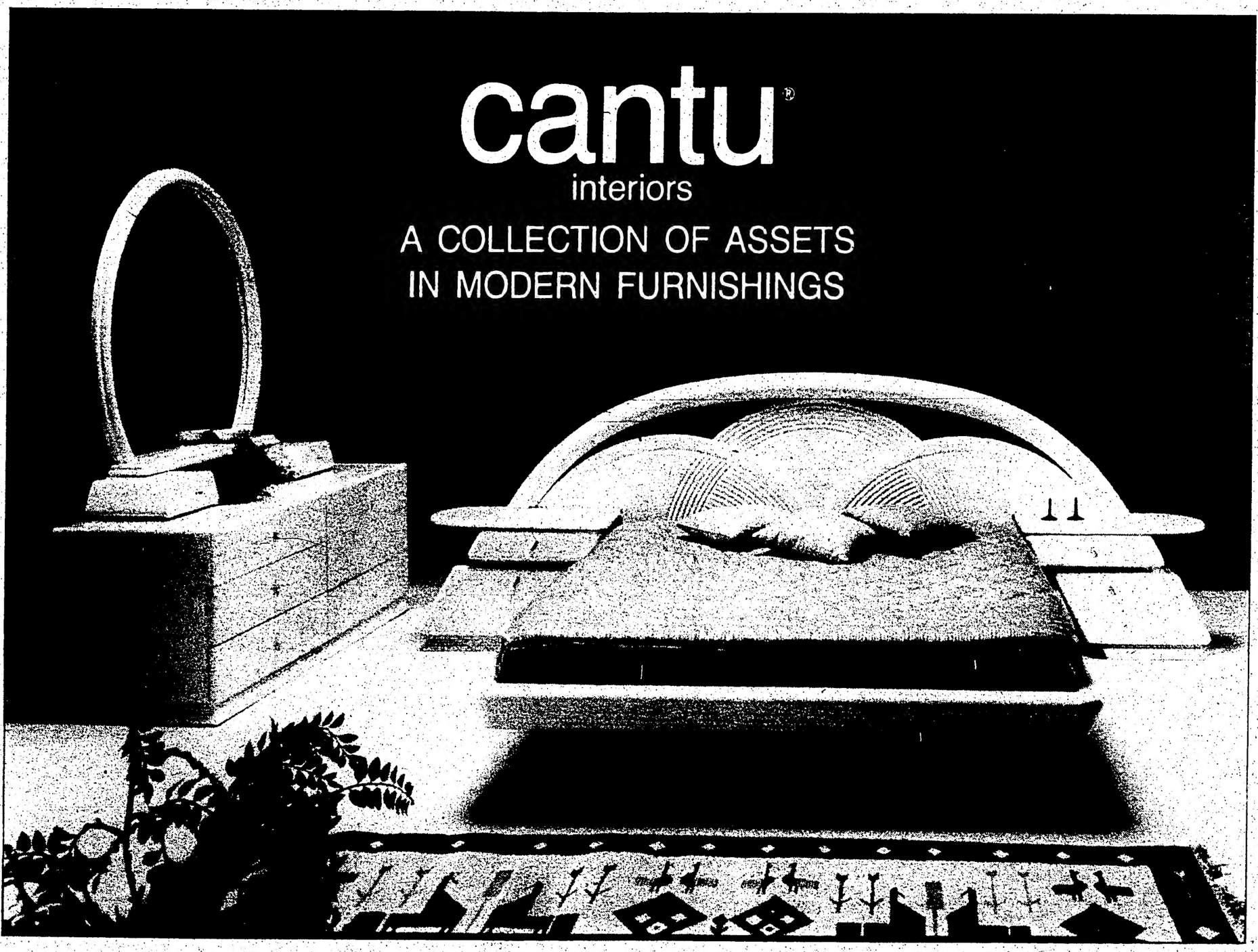

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Arts

"Canada's female Henry Moore"

Sculptress Kantaroff's creations exude sexuality

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Maryon Kantaroff, the controversial Toronto sculptress, who has been nicknamed "Canada's female Henry Moore," acknowledges instantly that her big bronze sculptures are sexy.

Some people call them sensual and others call them obscene. She prefers to think of them as reflecting the energetic life force that we all call sexuality.

"After all, I'm a feminist," she explains. "I'm intensely interested in the politics of sex.

"And I've always believed that the most powerful symbols in the world of art are sexual symbols. So naturally I hope my works of art make a powerful statement."

Her most recent work, *The Garden*, was unveiled not long ago in the marbled foyer of a new office building constructed at 305 Milner Ave. in Scarborough by land developer Ernie Goldberger, president of the Magnolia Group.

Toronto sculptress Maryon Kantaroff is shown with her most recent work of art, The Garden, a 400-pound bronze in the foyer of a new office building at 305 Milner Ave. in Scarborough.

It's a 6-foot, 400-pound bronze consisting of two separate massive organic shapes. They are holding what she calls "a dialogue" with each other, and have been described by some observers as looking like an egg in an ovary guarded by a pierced male phallic symbol.

The 53-year-old sculptress has just returned from the Canadian-owned Wade Gallery in Los Angeles, where a major retrospective of her work is being exhibited.

In a CJN interview, Kantaroff agreed that the most controversial of the more than 300 pieces she has created over the past 25 years was undoubtedly her 2-ton bronze masterwork titled *The Song Of Deborah*.

It provoked strong reactions when it was first unveiled in 1978 in front of the Baycrest Centre Terrace on Ameer Ave. And it continues to stir up lively debate among the elderly residents. Some are shocked and some are delirious with delight, like one man who said it reminded him of a "great orgy."

Kantaroff describes it this way: "It consists of two enormous buttocks and two columns of phallic shapes. It's crowned by a trinity of both round and straight organic forms. It's a blend of strong, assertive symbols of virility and soft, undulating shapes of femininity. I hope it evokes feelings of strength, purity and unity."

Why is it called *The Song Of Deborah*? The reference is to Deborah, the judge, prophetess and leader of the Jews. About 3,000 years ago, she sang a stirring battle song and thus aroused the tribes of Israel to fight their Canaanite oppressors.

Deborah is one of Kantaroff's favorite biblical heroines for two reasons. Legend has it that the prophetess had the powers of a magician; furthermore, the name Deborah in Hebrew means "Queen Bee."

Both terms clearly apply to Kantaroff. She has long been an ardent queen bee of the feminist movement. In the 1960s, she organized the New Feminists in Toronto and in the 1970s was a principal founder of the radical Feminist Party of Canada.

More recently, she has been as busy as a bee artistically. Among other projects, she created a gigantic environmental sculpture for the Canadian embassy in Mexico City and exhibited internationally from Milan to Geneva.

The word "magician" is also pertinent; for Kantaroff truly believes there is something mystical and magical about her art. She maintains there must be an unspoken dialogue between herself and the material she works with before she can begin.

"I'm like the Eskimo carvers that way," she says. "I pick up a rock and it speaks to me. It tells me what form my finished creation will take. There's magic in that."

On the other hand, she finds no magic in her communication with wood.

"Wood drives me crazy," she says. "Wood has a strong grain and that grain tries to dominate me. But I won't let it be my boss. Wood and me never did get along together."

Kantaroff doesn't mind being likened to the late British sculptor, Henry Moore, whose magnificent curved works are permanently installed in front of Toronto's new city Hall and Art Gallery of Ontario. But she contends their styles are different.

"Moore's works are more figurative and representative," she says. "His favorite sculptural subjects are of a mother and child and a reclining female figure, often including empty hollows. We both make use of that universal symbol of fertility and renewal of life, the egg. But my shapes are more organic, and often, I think, more suggestive of energy, spiral movement, and sexual drive."

She hastens to add that she admires Moore as both a sculptor and as a man.

She recalls once hearing Moore give a 15-minute talk to postgraduate art students. "I found his 15 minutes more valuable than a full term of lectures given by third-rate sexist professors who refuse to share their knowledge with female students," she says.

She also felt a rapport with Moore, because he was basically a self-taught sculptor who achieved international renown, even though he emerged from a humble background, one of the children of an impoverished Welsh coal miner.

Kantaroff has likewise emerged from humble circumstances. "I have the strong hands, the strong features and the sturdy body of a typical Bulgarian peasant," she says.

Her parents, both immigrant villagers from Toryenska in the Bulgarian mountains, were talented peasants, however. Her father, Kris, before his death at the age of 90, was a Toronto restauranteur and billiard parlor operator who specialized in painting murals. Her late mother, Irene, a professional weaver in Bulgaria, was a lover of opera, ballet and handicrafts.

Maryon, a precocious painter at the age of 4 and pianist at 6, won a certificate from the Royal Conservatory of Music and an honors degree in art and archeology from the University of Toronto. Shortly after graduation, she was hired to be assistant curator at the Art Gallery of Ontario, but left to take postgraduate studies at the British Museum, intent on becoming an art historian.

She suddenly changed careers at the age of 25. A married English couple — he was a sculptor and she was a painter — encouraged her to make use of their studio.

"I began playing with his sculpting tools and ad libbed a figure out of clay," she recalls. "It was like a stroke of magic. Eureka! I knew I had found my true profession and I knew I had come home to roost."

Kantaroff has since returned to Toronto, an internationally acclaimed artist.

She was the first resident sculptor at Seneca College. In 1974, she launched The Art Foundry Incorporated, offering bronze casting facilities to her fellow sculptors. And she has won awards for her line of jewelry, some of her most exquisite pieces being made of silver and set in lucite.

But her great passion is sculpturing bronze either for a home or a public building. Her works of art range in price from $100 to more than $100,000 and can be designed to suit individual needs. For information, she can be reached at (416) 488-1676.

Ironically, for a woman whose art is so passionate, she remains unmarried. When she was 28, she married a freelance actor, but it didn't work, and she divorced him.

The idea of getting married again doesn't interest her.

"I'm glad I didn't have a child," she says. "I'd be a bad mother. The truth is I'm married to my art. My life is so rich I never feel lonely. For me, to be alone and working at my art is a life of superfulfillment."

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By VIVIENNE MUHLING 422-2331

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Books to enjoy on those long, lazy days of summer

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Books of general interest...

John Fraser, the London correspondent of the Globe and Mail, has written an engaging book about Canadians whose names ring a familiar bell. *Telling Tales (Collins, $19.95)* consists of pen portraits of people like Brian Mulroney, Maureen Forester, Joey Smallwood, Roberston Davies and Peter Newman.

Fraser's sketches are readable and occasionally revealing.

The New Entrepreneurs (Seal Books, $24.95) zeroes in on 80 Canadians who've been enormously successful in their respective fields.

The author, Allan Gould, a Toronto freelance writer, examines his subjects with wit and intelligence.

Among them are people like Susan Mendelson, Alan Perlmutter, Michael Levy, Miles Nadal, Sheldon Pollack and Abe Schwartz. If you haven't heard of these highflyers, maybe you should read Gould's book.

The most impressive political figure produced by the Soviet Union in the 20th century, Joseph Stalin, remains shrouded in mystery and myth.

Alex De Jonge's masterful biography, *Stalin (Collins, $32.95), is a well-written, superbly researched study which treats all aspects of his career and his attitude to Jews.*

May Day (Fitzhenry & Whiteside, $29.50) is Michael Beschloss' taut account of the 1960 U-2 affair, which rocked East-West relations. It reads like a spy thriller.

Newspaper addicts will love *The Paper (Random House, $40.25)*, Richard Kluger's fascinating history of The New York Herald Tribune.

Before its demise in 1966, the Trib was one of the best dailies in America, read avidly as much for its style as for its substance. Kluger, the Trib's last literary editor, examines the personalities who worked on the staff and tells of the genteel anti-semitism which reigned there for so long.

The Paper is a monumental book which this reviewer could hardly put down.

Another book about journalism well worth reading is *The Great American Magazine (Random House, $29.25)*, the saga of Life Magazine. Loundon Wainwright, the author, spent more than 20 years on staff, and the story he's tells is consistently absorbing.

Ernest Hemingway: Dateline Toronto (Collier Macmillan, $29.95) contains the dispatches he wrote for The Toronto Star in the 1920s. By reading them, you can trace his development as a writer.

Disney's World (Irwin, $24.95), by Leonard Mosley, is a carefully researched, perceptive biography of a misanthropic showman whose talent and vision were considerable.

In December of 1984, an obscure New York man who would otherwise have lived out his life in total anonymity catapulted into the headlines when he shot four Black youths on a subway. He claimed they had tried to mug him.

The man, Bernard Goetz, became something of an overnight celebrity. In *Quiet Rage (Collins, $27.95)*, psychotherapist Lillian Rubin looks at his past (he is half-Jewish) with a view to understanding the forces and events that, she says, almost inexorably led to the subway shootings.

Sandor Kopacsi brings rare insight and knowledge to the 1956 Hungarian uprising. At the time it happened, he was Budapest's police chief, a rising star in the Communist hierarchy. During the revolt, he was ordered to put down a student revolt. Instead, he sided with the students and was summarily arrested and imprisoned. He spent seven years in jail, receiving an amnesty in 1963. Today, he lives in Toronto.

The gripping story he tells in his memoirs, *In the Name of the Working Class (Lester & Orpen Dennys, $14.95)*, represents a real insider's view of a revolution that failed miserably.

How many Canadians have ever heard of Camp X? Very, very few. Camp X, one of the best kept secrets of World War II, was the first secret agent training camp in North America, located on the northern shore of Lake Ontario.

David Stafford, executive director of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs, has produced what may well be the definitive work on Camp X, simply entitled *Camp X (Lester & Orpen Dennys, $22.95)*.

All sorts of murky characters drift through this book — FBI director J. Edgar Hoover, U.S. intelligence chieftain "Wild Bill" Donovan, Ian Fleming (the creator of the James Bond series), Sir William Stephenson, "The Man Called Intrepid," and so on.

If you've ever asked yourself how a big city hospital functions, you need go no farther than *Hospital (Macmillan, $24.95)*, Martin O'Malley's extended report on one of Toronto's great hospitals, the Toronto General.

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Thanks to Sheila Kitzinger's extraordinary book, *Being Born (Penguin, $16.95)*, you can witness the birth of a child, from conception onward. Her text complements the stunning photographs of Lennart Nilsson, who has been described as the Leonardo da Vinci of medical photography.

Music, dining featured

By
GARY POGROW

VANCOUVER — Leila Getz is the summer chamber musical epicure par excellence. Getz, the director of the Vancouver Recital Society is presenting a menu of six elegant feasts of music and dining by the society for its Summer Chamber Music Festival July 24-Aug. 3.

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Getz, a major presenter of classical music in Vancouver for the past eight years, wanted to offer something different, "a place where one could go out for the entire evening for good dining and marvelous music." Last year's initial Summer Festival was completely sold out and of this writing 2,200 of the 2,600 tickets have already been sold.

The musical entree consists of 19 celebrated musicians including Robert Silverman, piano; Gary Hoffman, cello; Jeffrey Kahane, piano; Cho Liang Lin, violin; and the two Russian Jewish brothers, Alexander (piano) and Mark (violin) Peskanov.

Mark is an especially talented artist. Getz was told by John Kimura Parker that "Mark is as good on the guitar as he is on the violin."

Getz believes in offering a combination of rarely played works with that of the traditional repertoire.

One of her desires is to include Canadian music next year. "There is a lot of good music around by composers such as Jean Coulthard and Steve Chapman of Vancouver, Jacques Papineau of Quebec and Edmonton's Violet Archer."

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Arts

Baycrest carving teacher wins accolades for his work

TORONTO —

George Almassy, instructor in woodcarving and whittling at Baycrest's Wagman Centre, modestly denies being an "artist," but his work demonstrates that he has every right to the title.

Judges at the recent International Woodcarving Festival in Windsor, obviously agreed as they ranked his sculpture of Golda Meir 3rd out of more than 40 entries from the United States and Canada in the "Famous People" category.

Almassy, 71, is generous with his talents. Two nights per week, he teaches whittling to a group of senior citizens who are members of the Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre at Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care. Each Almassy student is finding new ways to relax and to express individual creativity through working in wood.

Attended special school

His interest in carving began more than 50 years ago in his native Hungary. During high school, his teacher caught him sketching on the back of a completed assignment. Luckily for Almassy, the teacher was an artist, who, seeing the boy's obvious talent, urged his parents to enrol their son in a special technically oriented school.

This departed from the family's academic tradition, but Almassy did enter the school and graduated from a course two years later. He obtained employment as a stone-cutter and his talent for transforming images into 3-diminsional forms developed further.

World War II intervened and Almassy spent most of those years as a forced labourer and suffered a bomb concussion on the Russian front. Hungary was liberated in 1945, but by that time, most of his family had died at the hands of the Nazis.

In 1950, Almassy immigrated to Canada with his wife and young daughter. He completed his mandatory stint of farm work in Grimsby, Ont., then moved into the bakery business which remained his occupation until retirement in 1972.

Almassy recalls his first days in Canada with mixed emotions. Having left behind the experiences of racism in Europe, he was astonished to be fired from his job at a major Canadian establishment, because, he says, "they didn't want a Jew."

Some memories are more fondly recalled such as those of the Levi family who opened both hearts and business to Jewish immigrants.

Through the years, Almassy's interest in art, particularly woodcarving, has increased, but as he states, even Canada's most eminent sculptors have difficulty supporting themselves exclusively through art.

His home is adorned with his work, including a piece that he created in 1946 and brought with him to Canada. He works in various media, including stone, marble, onyx and bronze, but is pleased that wood is enjoying a comeback.

"Glass is difficult to work with," he says, "and bronze has become very expensive, so sculptors are turning again to wood."

Woodcarvers of today have modern techniques available to them. Labor-saving electric grinders speed work while "dollies," or wooden pins inserted into the piece, and laminated or layered wood, strengthen sculptures and make them more resistant to "moving" caused by humidity.

Golda, his award-winning sculpture, was created from a precious piece of Madagascar mahogany, purchased by Almassy 25 years ago. The forests of Madagascar have been depleted, making that particular type of mahogany extinct and the Golda piece even more unique.

Hobby for retirees

Today, most mahogany is obtained from Honduras, but he uses many other types of wood — chokecherry, elm, linden — relying on his practiced eye to distinguish between a piece fit for sculpting and a log fit only for a fireplace.

Golda required more than 130 hours to create. "Since the live model was not available," he explains, "I gathered many photos, and studied her at many ages, from different angles."

He examined not only how she looked, but how she lived, striving to capture not just the likeness but the essence of her personality. His reward occurred when a visitor walked into his studio and exclaimed, "that's Golda."

Almassy extolls the virtues of wood-carving as a hobby for persons of all ages, but particularly for retirees who, for the first time in years, may have hours to devote to learning a new craft. Carving or whittling in wood is "therapeutic" he says. "It leaves one both mentally and physically refreshed. At the same time, it is totally absorbing and relaxing."

Almassy receives calls constantly from friends across North America, whom he has met at woodcarving events. This "networking" delights him.

But even more satisfying is teaching others the art he loves so well. In addition to his classes at Baycrest, Almassy teaches a large group of seniors at his condominium complex in Florida.

"What gives me the most satisfaction," says this acomplished artist and instructor," is to walk into a room that is full of people who are eager to learn how to carve in wood. That is when I feel best."

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Film elaborates: Who is a nerd?

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Who is a nerd?

New light is thrown on that controversial question, particularly important for today's youth, by the recently released movie *Revenge of the Nerds II — Nerds in Paradise.*

A nerd, according to The Second Barnhart Dictionary of New English — the only one of several references consulted by this reviewer to carry the term — is "a foolish or ineffectual person; a jerk." But the definition is hardly adequate.

It's as informative as telling a visitor to earth from Alpha Centauri that a Jew is the child of a Jewish mother or a person converted to Judaism halachically, l'havdil (no comparison meant!).

Nerds, the movie shows us, are young awkward people of generally heightened brainpower, ability and sensitivity, who are persecuted and kept from making their proper contributions to society by its ruthless power elite. Like all other humans, they bleed, they have urges, and they belch — at least one of them does, often.

The six leaders of the Lambda Lambda Lambda fraternity at fictitious Adams College, who were introduced in the earlier and more sustained Revenge of the Nerds movie, are back, this time to represent their school at a national fraternity convention in Fort Lauderdale. Only five can go, because the frat's president, Gilbert, broke a leg in a sporting accident — playing chess. Fort Lauderdale, bursting with sun, beach and bikinis, is paradise to the Midwestern U.S. students.

The fraternity's dominant symbol is a plastic breast-pocket pen holder, marked Skolnik Electronics, stuffed with pens and pencils. Half the group have Jewish names. The parent national Lambda organization is all Black.

The snake in paradise is Alpha Beta fraternity head Roger, convention chairman, an apparently well connected old money type. The smooth, handsome, and ruthless Roger burns with a deep irrational hatred for the Adams boys, who try their best to befriend him.

He helps the dimwitted womanizing manager, who also hates them, to kick them out of the hotel suite they reserved. "I'd rather leave it empty than give it to nerds," the manager snarls.

Roger leads fellow Alpha Betans in a concerted effort to kick the Lambda delegation out of the convention. He involves indifferent and even well-meaning individuals against the nerds. He also incites automatic hatred against them on the part of a mindless bestial hulk called Ogre.

The nerds proceed to defend themselves as best they can, without losing their relative civility. It's quite an effort because, as Roger tells the group, "There's nothing you can say (to the other convention delegates) that will help you. I'm strong and you're weak."

The 80-minute movie moves along at a good clip. It's filled with sight gags and slapstick. In a parody of the Karate Kid, one of the nerds, Booger, places himself under the tutelage of an Oriental belching master.

The movie does not provide a decisive answer to the question of who is a nerd, but then, perhaps only a nerd would ask it.

Restless Natives a modest comedy

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Two rather scrappy, street-wise underemployed youths in Edinburgh become modern Rob Roys, the legendary Scottish Robin Hood.

The pair, Will (Vincent Friell) and Ronnie (Joe Mullaney), rob tourist buses plying the narrow roads of the sleepy highlands. Dressed in clown and wolfman masks, they ride off joyously on a Suzuki motorcycle after each heist.

In *Restless Natives*, now playing at Cineplex theatres, Will and Ronnie come across as charming, exceedingly polite thieves whose folksy reputation is exploited by the daily press and, ultimately, by the government.

They are reluctant criminals, propelled into crime by a dismal economy, but criminals nevertheless.

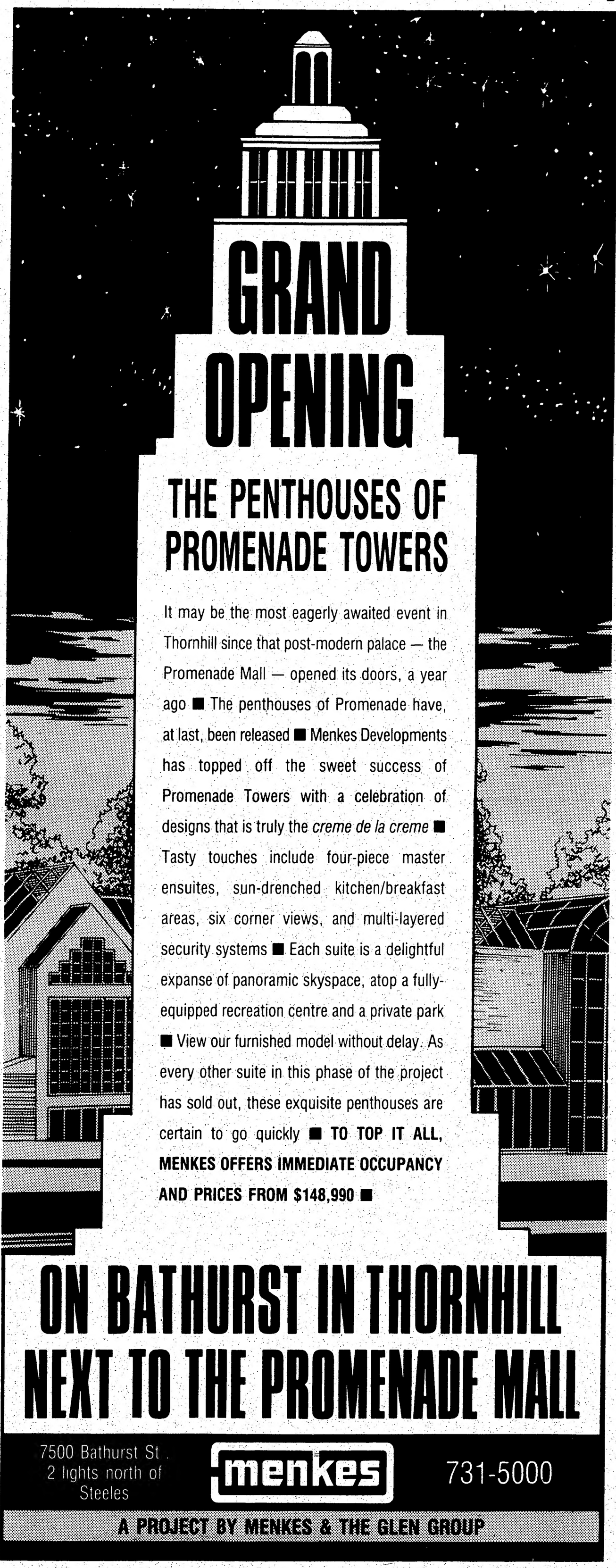
Their exploits attract a frantic Japanese film crew, a demure tour guide (Teri Lally) and, much to the annoyance of a local detective, an exasperated CIA agent who seems to spend much of his time on the phone urgently discussing his dog.

Directed by Michael Hoffman, ***Restless Natives*** **is a modest comedy caper of some wit and some charm.**

Friell and Mullaney, making their screen debuts, are as natural as the wind. They are endearing fellows and their thick Scottish brogues, though unintelligible at times, fit right into the scheme of things.

The photography, emphasizing the brooding green hills and dales of the bleak highlands, is atmospheric. The mock Indianesque music, performed by the Scottish band, Big Country, somehow blends in nicely.

Restless Natives won't impress moviegoers, but it may amuse them.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Travel

Fabulous Rio de Janeiro is a city full of contrasts

By
PAUL LUNGEN

Rio's beaches of Ipanema and Leblon offer a gorgeous view for sun-worshippers. [Paul Lungen photo]

RIO DE JANEIRO — Few cities conjure up images of glamor and revelry as does Rio. Each February, Brazilians take to the streets during Carnival, the non-stop debauchery that is world famous.

The city, set on the coast, offers unmatched scenery, sandy beaches populated by men and women in the skimpiest swimwear and samba music that will trigger a Brazilian into an impromptu hip-shaking shuffle.

Rio has all the ingredients for an ideal warm-weather holiday spot for North American vacationers looking to soak up the sun and scenery.

But it is also a city of contrasts — rich and poor, beauty and degradation. Homeless children sleep in the doorways of buildings a scant block away from one of the city's impressive 5-star hotels on Copacabana Beach.

Tourists and native Brazilians enjoy large meals in charming beachfront cafes as shoeless begger-children tap you on the arm, gesturing for the leftovers on your plate.

A walk along Copacabana Beach, with the cyan sea and white sand in front of you, is interrupted by any of the hundreds of street people trying to sell you trinkets like Rio licence plates or yo-yos that light up as they're spun.

Great poverty and great wealth coexist side by side in Rio, with the impression (gleaned from a 6-day stay) that well-to-do Brazilians simply avert their eyes and ignore the despair and poverty when they go for a stroll.

Still and all, Rio is a city of unsurpassed beauty. The landmarks that have made it famous can't help but impress any visitor. Two of them have given Rio its reputation as one of the world's most beautiful cities: the Corcovado and Sugarloaf mountain.

Each provides spectacular topside views of Rio and the sea, but a visit to Sugarloaf before the Corcovado is suggested. The Corcovado is the highest point in the city and some might consider a visit to Sugarloaf afterwards anticlimactic.

Sugarloaf stands on a jut of land at the end of Copacabana and Leme beaches and from its peak offers views of both Copacabana to one side and Botafogo Bay to the other. With Rio set alongside a number of mountains covered in sub-tropical greenery, trimmed on the side by white sandy beaches and the sea, the view from Sugarloaf is, as expected, magnificent.

Especially recommended is a visit at dusk when reds and oranges fill the sky and the streetlights go on in Rio. The view, the color, the panaroma are breathtaking. Bring plenty of film; it's practically impossible to take a bad picture.

The Corcovado is the second famous landmark in Rio, with a gargantuan statue of Jesus, arms outstretched, crowning the mountain. A joke making the rounds in Rio is that Jesus' arms are outstretched waiting to applaud when someone in Rio finally does a full day's work.

Each arm weighs 30 tons, with the statue itself tipping the scales at 700 tons. But even more impressive is the view of Rio and surrounding areas beneath you.

From either the Sugarloaf or Corcovado you can see the "favelas" that climb along the sides of mountains within the city. These slums are home for thousands of the city's poorest inhabitants, but from afar the pastel shades and scenic setting make them appear almost romantic.

But every guide you talk to tells you the same thing: stay away. A walk in a favela can be very dangerous. Not only will anything you are carrying be a target for thieves, but they will even take the shoes off your feet, we were told.

Hard to believe, you say? Guidebooks and experienced Rio visitors also recommend you leave your jewelry behind. Thieves are so bold they tear the jewelry off your neck at the beach or while walking in the street. As when visiting any country where poverty is rampant, caution and care are important.

The "centro" (downtown) district is reminiscent of downtowns elsewhere — large skyscrapers, pedestrian streets and official buildings. Worth a visit is the Museum of Fine Arts or the Municipal Theatre, which is an exact one-quarter scale copy of the Opera House in Paris.

Nearby is the old Convent of Santo Antonio, built between 1608-19. It contains priceless colonial art objects and the tombs of the first emperors of Brazil. Beside the convent is the Sao Francisco da Penetencia whose interior is completely hand sculpted and covered in gold foil.

But if the rounds of museums and gardens begins to bore you, try to arrange a visit to a samba school. The wonderful floats, costumes, music and dancing of Carnival don't just happen. A lot of work goes into them and people begin preparing months in advance.

You can watch the preparations and rehearsals at the schools, most of which are located in the north part of the city. The Beija Flor Samba School rehearses on weekends for the public in Botafogo and off season performs for tourists at Concha Verde on Sugarloaf.

An alternative is catching a samba show at one of the city's nightclubs. Highly recommended is the one at Plataforma I in the Leblon district.

A samba band opens the show followed by scores of young men and women in the most flamboyant, colorful and ornate costumes imaginable. They parade and dance to the music, and it amazes that each succeeding costume is more spectacular than the previous ones.

The show at Scala is much more Hollywood style, with flashing lights, scantily clad women and U.S. type showtunes the major attractions.

A description of Rio without mentioning the beaches would be incomplete, so let me conclude by noting that sunning yourself on the beach at Copacabana or Ipanema is a treat. The swimsuits paraded there are something else: immodest scraps of cloth that barely cover the situation. And the women wear even less.

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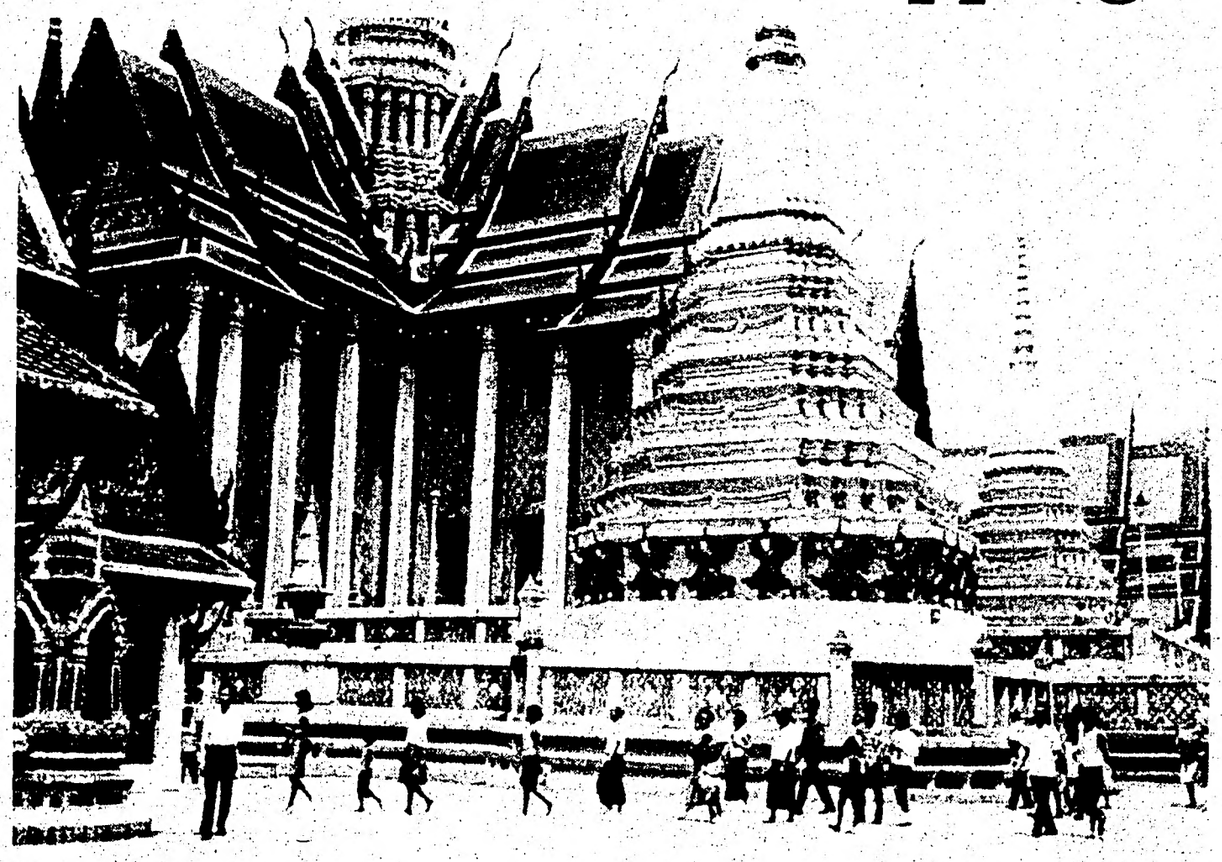

The Emerald Buddha Temple in Bangkok.

TORONTO —
A Toronto travel agent thinks those who truly love to shop will travel to the ends of the earth to do it — and she's prepared to take them there.

Myra Grosfield, of Uniworld Travel and Tours Inc. is busy planning her 3rd annual Orient Shopping Spree, a trip she says offers "as much sightseeing as any other tour — plus the bargains."

The 2-week journey, Oct. 25 to Nov. 8 includes stops in Hong Kong, Singapore and Bangkok with an optional sidetrip to China or Macau.

To keep abreast of new developments on the bargain scene, Grosfield has travelled east seven times in the past three years.

When there she investigates wholesalers, learns what places not to go to, looks for promising new locations, and, of course, shops.

"My husband had 2 pairs of pants, a jacket and shirt custom-made for $99. He bought a tuxedo for as much as it would cost to rent one for a night. And the children's clothing...."

Grosfield says the trip also provides a fascinating study of contrasts.

Hong Kong, where six nights of the trip is spent, is a bustling, urban centre of commerce, while Bangkok, Grosfield said, "is out of this world. It's more like a third world city but it's a real thrill."

She called Singapore "the wind-down period of the trip. It's a beautiful, more North American-style city, in complete contrast to the others."

While the trip is "designed for the discriminating woman," shopping males are welcome, Grosfield said.

As well as the bargain hunting, escorted tours are offered to Stanley Markey, Cheung Chau, the Royal Palace in Bangkok, the Floating Market, Kowloon and the New Territories and more.

Grosfield, who is working on the tour with fellow Uniworld agent Judy Wolff and Travel Incorporated's Merle Gotlieb says their knowledge of good shopping locations is invaluable to the trip-goer.

But she also advises participants to do a little research themselves before they go — especially if they plan to buy electronics.

"Get an idea of what the prices and good makes are here so you'll know a bargain when you see one," Grosfield said.

The best bargains in the Orient include designer clothes, shoes, crafts and silks, leather goods and art, the agent said.

"I've bought tapestries for from $6 to $100 U.S. that retail in Toronto for $1,000 to $3,000. It can't be beat."

The cost of the trip is $2,775 Cdn. per person plus tax, insurance and gratuity.

That price includes all flights, superior class hotels and full American breakfast daily. The sightseeing tours, one lunch and a closing banquet dinner is also included.

There are a number of possible options for people who would like to extend their Asian journey — or begin it early with a stay in Vancouver. These can be discussed with one of the agents.

"We want to pass on the excitement we have found," Grosfield said. "We think we can make the Orient come alive for you."

Grosfield and Judy Wolff can be reached at Uniworld Travel and Tours Inc., 235 Yorkland Blvd. Suite 109, Willowdale M2J 4W9, (416) 493-3322. Gotlieb is at Travel Incorporated (416) 475-6008.

Hotel ambience European

NORTH YORK —
The popping of champagne corks, a toast from Mila Mulroney and greetings from North York Mayor Mel Lastman heralded the recent grand opening of the Novotel North York.

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Lastman welcomed Novotel's general manager Michel Laffont and congratulated him on the opening of the hotel. "It's a beautiful occasion and we are proud to have you here," he said.

Laffont, describing the hotel as a relaxing European experience, said that **"the people of North York will enjoy the flair and hospitality we offer. It will give us great pleasure to welcome them all to our hotel," he said.**

Hotel owner and chairman of the board of Sefri Construction International, George Vari, congratulated Novotel's architects Moriyama and Teshima on "an outstanding design. Toronto is an expanding international centre and we are proud to be a part of it."

Located at 3 Park Home Ave. in North York, the hotel offers 260 furnished rooms including one presidential suite. Rates start at $95 per night and children under 16 staying with their parents are free.

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Access to the hotel is readily available from the Highway 401 (exit 369 north on Yonge St.) by subway (North York Centre Station) or by taxi.

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Business Outlook

Dean sees more Canada-Israel co-productions

Film centre seen as a boost for Tel Aviv U

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL —
Entertainment mogul Harold Greenberg's recent go-ahead to construct a $175 million film production centre here is also likely to benefit Tel Aviv University's Faculty of Visual and Performing Arts, says the department's dean.

Arnon Zuckerman, on the last leg of a 4-city North American tour with stops in New York, Los Angeles, and Toronto to meet with faculty supporters and to strengthen ties, believes that the centre, set for completion in 1989, "should flourish."

The new facilities could also encourage more co-productions between Canada and Israel, which have a film production agreement. A by product would be that much of the young, award-winning talent developed at TAU could be harnessed. It "could be a blessing" to all parties concerned, he said.

Zuckerman spoke to Canadian Friends of TAU supporters at a reception hosted by Greenberg, a long-time patron of the TAU visual and performing arts faculty who was honoured at a national 1984 dinner.

He said that Greenberg's past and on-going generosity to his faculty has enabled it to "change its whole curriculum" and to improve vastly its technical facilities.

Greenberg, the colourful head of Astral Bellevue Pathe Inc., best known for producing the extremely profitable film, Porky's, but now chiefly involved in film financing and promotion, said that cultural expression through the entertainment medium remains a fundamental method to foster communication between nations, as well as a positive Israeli image abroad.

Zuckerman remarked that only through continuing support of the TAU faculty will Israel be able to fulfil its promise in all aspects of cultural progress and development, especially in light of negligible government support.

Canadian government financing of the film industry is $50 million, compared to "a few hundred thousand (dollars)" in Israel, Zuckerman said.

"I have two goals. The first is to help young people, the future of Israeli culture. The second is that in the world of communication, Israel should have its share." By having the means to initiate more work at his faculty, Zuckerman said, Israel could hope to compete on a world scale and achieve its potential.

There are positive signs already, Zuckerman noted.

Young talent at the TAU faculty last year won the first prize out of 44 entries at an international students film festival hosted by the university. Other films by TAU students have been broadcast on European television.

Currently, the faculty of Visual and Performing Arts boasts an enrollment of close to 1,400 students out of the general TAU body of 27,000, with a curriculum that recently added screenwriting as a new focus in the cinema stream.

The faculty has seven departments under one academic roof. Besides film and television, they are theatre arts, art history, musicology, the S. Rubin Academy of Music, the university art gallery, and the Research Centre for Movement Notation. The faculty's prestige is growing steadily, Zuckerman stated.

Gradually, Zuckerman noted, he was becoming accustomed to wearing the academic's hat at a university, where "it takes longer to change things" and where "the pace of life is comparatively slow."

He was more used to the frenetic activity as the former deputy director general of the Israel Broadcasting Authority (IBA) between 1969 and 1973, followed by a 6-year stint as managing director of Israeli television.

In the years prior to joining TAU in 1985, Zuckerman ran Rimon Communications Ltd., an independent production company, and Monitin Ltd., a newspaper and magazine publishing house.

TAU leadership attending the reception were Canadian Friends past national president Myer Bick, national executive director Yaacov Erez and Montreal executive director Gerry Weiser. The reception was presided over by Larry Bessner, who, like Greenberg, is an honorary fellow at TAU.

While in Montreal, Zuckerman also toured the Facilities of the National Film Board of Canada.

In Toronto, Zuckerman met with Paul Morton, president of Global Television and the president of TAU's Toronto Branch. He also attended a reception hosted by Brian Grossman and his wife, Penny Lynn, vice-president of Canadian Friends' Women's Division, which has many members in the arts community.

Zuckerman was accompanied on his tour by his wife, Miri, and by John Bernstein, the faculty's associate dean.

Nuclear scientist's stay-on kippa kit gets good response

NEW YORK —
A kit designed by a U.S. nuclear scientist to hold kippot firmly in place is among the latest applications of Velcro fasteners, reports the New York Times.

The Kippon kit, conceived by Long Islander Lev Neymotin, holds the kippa firmly on the head with four strips of Velcro that grab the hair but release it gently.

Neymotin received his first enthusiastic response from the Hebrew Academy of Miami Beach. School regulations that require students to wear kippot at all times were difficult to follow in all situations, particularly basketball games.

"They were even going to have them put straps under their chins," said Neymotin. The Kippon solved the problem.

To make the product more ecumenical, Neymotin offered Kippon kits to Pope John Paul II and to New York's Cardinal John O'Connor. They declined the samples.

Velcro was invented in 1948 by Swiss engineer George deMestral, after discovering that tiny hooks grabbing anything fuzzy was how cockleburrs stuck stubbornly to wool and other material. Velcro is named after velvet, and crochet, the French word for hook.

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TORONTO — The car he does his deliveries in has changed, but the attitude Farley Donsky brings to his work is as steady and serious as ever.

Donsky, owner of Del Wholesale Produce Co. Ltd., began doing his deliveries in 1981 in an old Austin Mini, cramming in fruits and vegetables until he could barely see out of his windows.

And he did that for about 120 hours a week at $50 a week.

Today, Donsky may well be the only head of a produce company who delivers his merchandise in a 1987 BMW when needs demand.

And while he still gets to the Ontario Food Terminal at 4 a.m. to pick out his fruits and vegetables, and still comes home at about 6.30 or 7 p.m. the compensation is better. Much better.

He expects his company to do more than $1 million in sales this year.

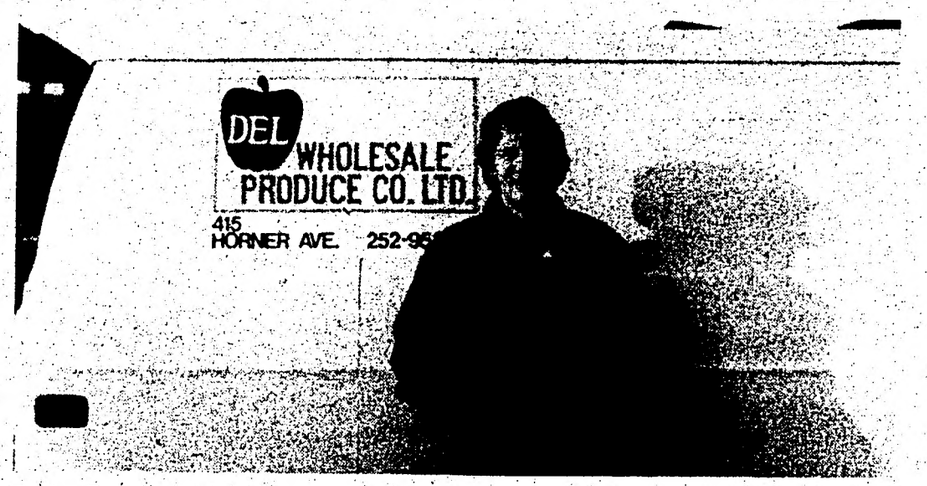
While the car Donsky drives is symbolic of the Yuppie dream of success, he did not take the typical white-collar route to achieving it.

The difference between a modest past and prosperous present, he says, has been attention to customer satisfaction and a commitment to personal effort.

"I don't say no. It can be any hour of the day or night and my customers call and say, 'I need help,' and I'm there.

"My customers know me and I try to put myself in their position which is one of the reasons we've grown," says Donsky, who turns 28 in August.

The young entrepreneur (a member of Beth Tikvah Synagogue) says he had the same attitude when he began working with a friend during the rough and tumble spring of 1981.



Farley Donsky is seen prior to going out on a call. He designed his company's logo.

While fellow graduates (Donsky has an economics degree from York University) were getting well-paying jobs, he was working longer for less and using borrowed space to run the business.

He is still grateful for family support he received during those tentative days, recalling that "my parents had to put up with a 3-ton truck being parked in their garage for two years."

In those days Donsky would rush around Toronto to the back doors of restaurants to sell his produce. He enjoyed the personal contact with his first customers, including Le Petite Gaston.

Sometimes selling required a display of true grit.

Rebuffed in his attempt to contact a restaurant owner, Donsky found a way of entering the man's office, and was sitting with his running shoes on the man's oak desk when he returned.

For his tenacity, he was rewarded with a contract to supply the man's three Toronto restaurants.

As time went by he began to make more contacts and the business grew. He added equipment, employees and customers, including Osgoode Hall Law School and other colleges at York University, and Ontario Place.

Sales volume jumped from $1,000 per week in 1981 to $9,000 per week in 1983 when he incorporated, and got a warehouse with enough refrigerated storage space for two trailers worth (1,200 sq. ft.) of produce.

In that same year, Donsky also married his high school sweetheart, Michelle Diamond, a teacher. They had a son, Ryan, last November.

But in 1984 Donsky's mother, Rhoda, who had been ill with cancer, died.

Throughout the difficult period of her hospitalization, Donsky and his family spent many hours with his mother, and he says, "the business was running, but just running."

Since then, Donsky's business has continued to expand. His partner left; younger brother, Richard, came on staff, and he now has eight employees.

As he looks to the future — to adding specialization in the areas of transport and storage — Donsky says he maintains his original approach: Get the freshest products at the best price to the customer when needed while making a fair profit.

He says he still speaks to each of his customers each week, and still sweeps the warehouse floor when it needs cleaning.

Commenting on his work ethic, Donsky quips, "my wife and I have an inside joke that the last film I saw was Mary Poppins because my hours are so long."

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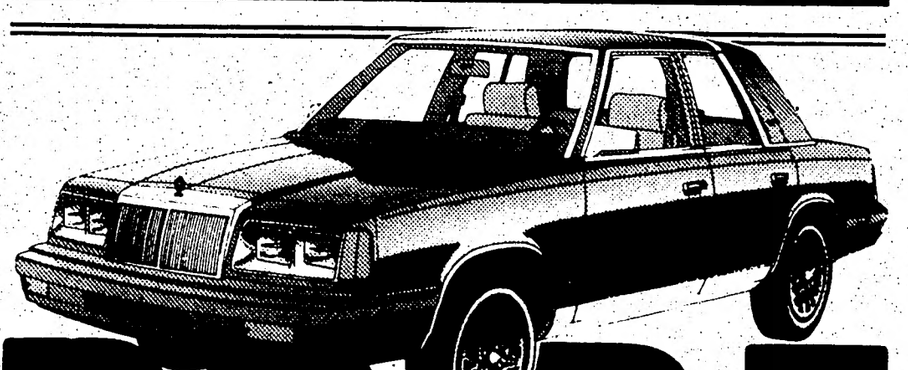
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$495,000. Completely updated 5 bdrm. on lovely lot! Main fl. den & powder rm. Finished lower level, central air! Gorgeous new pool! Terry Moranis 449-2020.

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CONDOMINIUMS

"YORK MILLS PLACE" TERRACE SUITE
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Bldr's. own home. 7 bdrms., 3 kitchs., 5 wshrms., self-contained apt., CAC, ravine lot, 4,700 sq. ft., **immaculate**. Must be seen! $535,000. Miriam Ciobotaru, JAKOBS REALTY INC. RLTR., 440-1414.

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4 bdrm., 4 baths, main fl. library & fm. rm., open concept, super kit., upgrades, 60' lot. Dillon Jones 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — DESIGN "SAVVY"
Dramatic 4 bdrm., "Sherwood Green," inviting entrance, cathedral ceiling. Landscaped lot, extras. $324,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES
Move on up! Quiet cres., fabulous 4 bdrm., fam. rm., den, sunken liv. rm., near parks & schools. Paul Schmidt, 731-7111.

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Spacious 3 bdrm., fam. rm., premium lot, fin. bsmnt., spa-sauna, Jacuzzi, designer decor. Must be seen! Robin Korman, 731-7111.

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Beautifully appointed 3 bdrm. 3 bath, cozy mn. fl. fm. rm. with brick firepl. Near all amenities. $199,000. Paula Bernstein 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — NEED ROOM?
Super 4 bdrm., mn. flr. fam. & laundry, air, appls., dble. gar. value ++ Priced to sell. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — HIT PAYDIRT!
Super 4 bdrm. Huge master, mn. flr. fam., dble. gar., priced to sell! $229,000. Evelyn Pollock, 731-7111.

BATHURST-PROMENADE — LOCATION!
Great 3 bdrm. + den, sunken liv. rm., open concept kitch., separate bsmnt entrance! $212,000. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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All brick, 3 bdrm., lg. fam. rm. with firepl., huge kitch. many upgrades, ceramics, dble. gar. $218,000. Bev Ross, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-ANTIBES — DESPERATE VENDOR
Bargain! Lg. 3 bdrm. townhouse, fin. bsmt., firepl., appls., extras! Vendor anxious. Try an offer! Becky Wener, 731-7111.

BATHURST-WILSON — HONEST VALUE
Decorated 3 bdrm. bung., sep. in-law bsmnt. apt., 53' lot. near all amenities. Robert Samery, 731-7111.

BATHURST S. OF STEELES — SEMI BUNG.
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Spacious 4 bdrm. semi, panelled den & rec rm., fin. bsmnt., $199,900. Becky/Gerry Wener, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — TOWNHOUSE
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Unique 7 + room residence filled with warmth and character. Open concept reno. on 2 floors + access to skylit 3rd. fl. 2 Bdrm + 24' den/study. Modern kit. with w/o to deck + circular stairs to patio. Finished lower level with w/o, stone firepl. 4 pc. & 2 pc. Private drive, att. gar. Bruce Smith.

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Large 2 bdrm + family room. Faces south. 2,000 sq. ft. Upgrades. $2,100 per month. Eleanor Wagman 488-2875.

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BATHURST-STEELES BEAUTY
3 bdrm. townhouse, 3 bths., fin. bsmnt., firepl., C.A.C., 5 appls., prime area. Shelly Halpern, Judith Engel, 226-9770.

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Condo ste., 3 bdrms., den, eat-in kitch., appls., ensuite laundry, best view. Joe Salomon, 226-9770.

BATHURST - FINCH
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BATHURST - STEELES
Distress sale! Huge 4 bdrms., 2 firepl., 3 bths., Hollywood greenhouse kitch., 5 appls. Park, plus, plus. Joe Salomon, 226-9770.

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Largest model, 2 bed., 2 baths, neutral decor, bright sun-filled kit.; vendor says sell!! Helen Gould, 886-1200 or 633-5332 (24-hr. page).

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Sub-penthouse! S. exposure! 2 bed. + den + heated sunrm., 2 baths. Lynne Freedman, 886-1200.

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Lge. 3-b.-r. on quiet cres., near Promenade Mall, mn.-flr. fam. rm., 4-pce. mast. bath & more. Michael Spagat, 886-1200.

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BATHURST-ANTIBES
2-bdrm. penthouse, W. exposure, huge balcony, gorgeous interior; $192,900. Sally Rosen, 884-4425, 630-3676.

BATHURST-STEELES SOUTHWEST
Twin bung., 3 bdrm. + in-law bsmt. apt., must be sold; looks like new. Sally Rosen, 884-4425, 630-3676.

BATHURST-STEELES
Lge. 4-bdrm link, very spacious, fam. rm. + fin. bsmt., appl., lge. garden, air cond., gar.; must be sold. Sally Rosen, 884-4425, 630-3676.

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BLUE FOREST AREA
Custom built, 4 bdrms, 2 storey, 4 bths., huge liv/din., lg. kitch., fam. rm., den, fin. lower level, 5 w/o to ravine lot, dble. gar. 633-7373.

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CEDARVALE — FIRST AD
$359,900. This gem has it all: cent. air, cent. vac., electronic garage openers, ceramic tiles, pot lights, whirlpool, lge. cedar deck. Magnificent lot; generous-sized rms. For details call J. Kirsh, 485-7611.

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CONDO CHOICE — GLENCAIRN SUBWAY
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- 360 Ridelle, 2-bdrm., bright white kit., prices from $138,000. D. Abraham, 783-3333.

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1 Houses For Sale

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Brand New, Custom Home

on cul de sac, built by the reknown Shane Baghai — 6 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms. Marble foyer. French herring bone floors. Marble en-suit with Jacuzzi. Eat-in-kitchen, seats 12, skylights, panelled family room, with marble fireplace. Spiral staircase. Intercom system. Bayview/Finch.

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2 Houses For Sale Private

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Bathurst - Wilson - Five bedrooms, large master with ensuite & walk-in. Eat-in kitchen, sliding doors to deck & huge yard. A/C. Basement apartment, private entrance. Walk to shuls & shopping. Open house July 26, 2:00-4:00 p.m. $277,000. 630-8555.

3 Houses For Rent

Bathurst-Glencairn - 3 plus 1 bedroom, 3 bathrooms, 3 appliances, garage, finished basement, backyard, near subway, schools, shopping, park. $1,400 plus utilities. Sept. 3. 783-7435.

5 Condominiums For Sale

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- **Promenade.** 2 bd., 2 bths., $195,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.
- **Conservatory.** 1,400 sq. ft., 2 bd./bths. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.
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- **Bayview/#7.** 2 bd., 2 bths. April '88 poss. Vera Vadas, 731-7111.
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5 Condominiums For Sale

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BATHURST STREET CONDOS
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100 Canyon 2 bdrms + den, balcony, anxious vendor.
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Bath-Clark-Conservatory, 2 bd., 1,600 sq. ft. $1,750.
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Nawel Seth 630-1999

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7 Condominiums For Rent/Sale

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9 Accommodation Available

Olympics accommodation - Kosher home in Calgary $100 per person per day, with 2 meals. 403-258-1721.

10 Accommodation Wanted

Two Kosher females student require 2 bedroom apartment, between St. Clair/Lwrence. Easy access to University subway. Call collect after 6:00 p.m. 1-627-7908.

12 Apartments For Rent

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14 Cottages For Sale

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$90,000.
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21 Israel Properties

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23 Office Space

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28 Announcements

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30 Articles For Sale

Leather Chesterfield
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34 Employment Opportunities

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Granofsky, Louis on July 13, late of 275 Shuter St., Apt. #715.

Kassman, Ann on July 9, late of Baycrest Terrace, #301.

Kober, Hersch on July 13, late of 357 Goldenwood Rd.

Michael, Harrold on July 9, late of 32 Acton Ave.

Milman, Ilya on June 27, 1987, late of 40 Alexander St., #708.

Polter, Judah on July 1, 1987, late of 395 Lawrence Ave. W.

Raichelson, Sonia on July 1, 1987, late of 99 Rose Green dr.

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Toronto youth to Indonesia

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO — Greg Beiles is about to learn the meaning of "culture shock" as a participant in the 1987-88 Canada World Youth program.

The 18-year old graduate of Northern Secondary School in Toronto will leave Aug. 26 on a 8-month excursion which will take him to British Columbia and Indonesia along with 99 other Ontario youths selected for this year's program.

During that time he will spend the first five months living with a local family in BC in a community of no more than 25,000 and working either in the field of social services, education or the local media.

In December the entire group will depart for Indonesia where they will live with families in Kalimantan or Sumatra in the southern part of Indonesia and work for a 3-month period. Beiles will work in the field of agriculture during the second leg of the trip.

While Beiles has started learning Bahasa Indonesian, the national language of the country, and hopes to master 500-2,000 words by the time he leaves Toronto, he will be matched with an Indonesian youth who will live him with throughout the program.

Beiles said he decided to apply for the program because he is interested in seeing how people in other cultures live. Upon returning to Canada in March, he will be meeting with representatives of B'nai B'rith Canada to relate his experiences.

Canada World Youth is a non-profit organization which arranges youth exchanges between Canada and Third World countries. Now in its 16th year of operation, it has involved over 7,000 youths between the ages of 17 and 20 from Canada and 32 exchange countries.

Applications are accepted during the months of October through February of each year. For further information contact CWY, 386 Bloor St. W. Toronto M5S 1X4.

Greg Beiles

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Klutznick tells of Arafat's ploy

Secret Toronto meet with PLO man revealed

WASHINGTON —

A secret meeting in Toronto between PLO moderate Issam Sartawi and former World Jewish Congress president Philip Klutznick in the early 1980s that was purportedly to be the prelude to a major peace move by PLO leader Yasser Arafat has been revealed by Klutznick in a recent interview.

Klutznick, who served as an alternate delegate to the United Nations in the Eisenhower administration, Jimmy Carter's secretary of commerce and B'nai B'rith president told the BB International Jewish Monthly that he has been invited to meet Arafat "half a dozen times." His response has been that he will not go until the PLO head accepts UN Resolutions 242 and 338.

"I can say it now: A few years ago, it must be four or five, I got a call from Arafat's right-hand man, Issam Sartawi," Klutznick told the Jewish Monthly.

"He was a superb human being, a man who sacrificed his life and lived like a saint trying to bring people together. (Sartawi was murdered by Palestinian extremists in 1983.)

Philip Klutznick

"I got a call from him in Paris and he said, 'I've got a message for you from the chairman [Arafat] and I've got to deliver it to you, very important.' Sartawi couldn't come to the United States because he's not accepted in the U.S. so I agreed to meet him in Toronto, where he has relatives.

"What was his proposition? He said the chairman is ready to go to the UN and announce his acceptance of Israel as a state and is prepared to lay down the arms that he presented at the UN. He wants you to come to Tunis and help him write his speech, because of your experience in the United Nations and because of your attitude."

Klutznick told Sartawi, "I'll go on one condition — that I have a letter from the chairman, addressed to me and stating what you just said.

" 'I'll go to Tunis — I'll go to hell to meet him or to heaven, I don't care which way. But I want to be sure that I'm not being used by the chairman. It would hurt him more if he did it to me than it would hurt me. I would at least have an excuse, I was trying.' So Sartawi said, 'That will be easy. That's a fair condition.' "

The letter that eventually came from Arafat "didn't say a damn thing about the thing he was talking about. It was on magnificent stationery. I keep it in my safe. The chairman said it's important to make peace and everything else, [but] not a damn word about the United Nations or that he was prepared to go there.

"Now this put me in a difficult position because I was fond of Sartawi, whom I'd never known to say anything that wasn't ultimately true. And I didn't want to hurt him. I said, 'Look, I don't want to embarrass you. I will make the letter as diplomatic as possible.

"I will have to say in that letter that I appreciate his sentiments, [but] it does not cover the subject discussed between me and his representative, and therefore I have to reject the invitation.' "

Asked whether he felt that Arafat's continued refusal to explicitly recognize Israel is his "tragic flaw," Klutznick referred to Israel's pre-state history.

"We were lucky to have a man at the right time (David Ben-Gurion) who had both vision and courage. I think Arafat has vision, I don't think he has the courage to take risks."

Ontario stresses 2 Rs

Drive to boost adult literacy

TORONTO —

Literacy Ontario, a new public awareness campaign aimed at ensuring that adult literacy needs are being met across the province was announced recently by Premier David Peterson.

"One out of every five adults in Ontario may not have sufficient reading and writing skills to fully function in society," Peterson said. "The government of Ontario wants to make sure every man, woman and child has equal access to obtaining those skills."

He added that "we must reach for this goal to ensure our people and our province will be able to meet the challenges of the information and electronic age and fully enjoy its rewards."

Literacy Ontario will work with the government, education, business, professional, social and other groups to foster an increased awareness of literacy as a high priority social and economic issue.

The campaign will emphasize three main themes ensuring that adult learning is a positive step in realizing one's full potential, literacy is a communal concern embracing every facet of our community, and that literacy programs open up new opportunities for participation in the community.

In Ontario $50 million is being spent each year on adult basic literacy activities through the ministries of citizenship and culture, skills development, colleges and universities, and of correctional services.

These activities include literacy programs on a one-to-one basis, adult education classes as well as library and hospital groups.

Peterson said that through Literacy Ontario, the government can "promote greater understanding of literacy issues, explain existing programs and help provide access to them."

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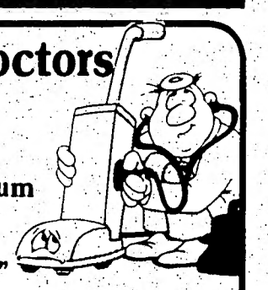

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Patient asks "why me?"

Manic depressives battle illness and isolation

By
MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO —

"Even a person crouched on the floor in a psychiatric hospital will remember the touch of kindness that you give him," says Ann. She should know, because she has been a manic depressive for 10 years, battling to control an illness which she has been told is incurable.

"The biggest problem for the mentally ill is isolation," Ann (not her real name) maintains. Communication is almost impossible." Feeling that terrible isolation herself, experiencing the jibes and the cruelty of those who don't understand, she is determined to do something that will make a difference.

"You see telethons for muscular dystrophy and cancer," she notes, but not for mental problems. That's still a no-no." She wants to encourage people to befriend mentally ill individuals, not just through organizations, but one-to-one.

Until 10 years ago, Ann lived comfortably as a young wife and mother.

Then it happened.

Lying in the darkness after four sleepless nights, she suddenly began hearing voices and hallucinating. Her frightened husband didn't know what was happening to her. Rushed to hospital, she remained there under treatment for over two months.

After numerous tests and consultations, Ann was classified as schizophrenic, sent home, regularly "shot up with modecate" which made her hands tremble and, she says, reduced her to "a vegetable living in a bathrobe and not leaving the bedroom for 2½ years!"

She can scarcely remember what happened during that time. Her mother brought in food, because cooking was totally beyond her. But her parents didn't really know what to do for her. They devoted themselves to their grandchild. Other family members distanced themselves. Her illness led eventually to marriage breakdown. She is now legally separated and considering divorce.

After 2½ years on modecate it was discovered that she had been misdiagonosed and was actually depressive, not schizophrenic. These days she takes lithium which helps her to function better, though it cannot prevent manic episodes.

"I have had about eight breakdowns while taking my medication regularly," she affirms. As a further reinforcement, she uses tegretol. "I have to take each day as it comes," she says.

When she is manic she becomes exitable. She starts to make all kinds of lofty plans. Her appearance becomes more dramatic. Her judgment is totally out of kilter. If she is not hospitalized after three sleepless nights, she becomes paranoid, believing that everyone is following her or is hostile to her.

Friends and relatives are always afraid that she will embarrass them, especially in public. She recalls, "I wasn't encouraged to attend a close family member's wedding because I might spoil the atmosphere."

She has been chased by the police and they have broken down the door to her home in order to remove her to hospital. They handled her roughly she says, hustling her into a cruiser, cuffing her hands together. "And I was not violent," she protests, "just scared."

We are still living in the stone age where mental illness is concerned, says Ann. "Even the supposedly enlightened and educated tell jokes about us and stay away from us. They can be very cruel."

She has tried to help others. "I brought home more underprivileged people than I can count. They ate, showered and some even stayed awhile. I'm not asking for a pat on the back. Maybe I needed them more than they needed me. Who knows?

Once, when she went to her husband's apartment for some money, his maid opened the door a few inches, pushing her hand through and withdrawing it as if Ann "were a leper."

"It's hard to maintain your dignity under such circumstances."

She has worked as a volunteer for many years, given to charity and supports Israel. "I do all I can to alleviate pain and suffering, yet ironically, I am the receiver of so much pain and rejection."

She asks, "Why me?"

She feels strongly that the answer to mental illness is to educate the public. Visit the Clarke Institute and the Queen St. Mental Health Centre, she urges. See for yourself what level of humanity there is.

Fear is our greatest enemy, she declares. Just showing you care, taking someone out for a ride, being there, talking, listening, can help. And she reminds us, "It can happen to anyone."

Ont. report calls for health council

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

Ontario should establish a council on health strategy chaired by the premier in order to develop a comprehensive strategy for health care, states a new report on health care in the province.

"The premier's participation would demonstrate the commitment of government to a concept of health which goes beyond the formal management of the health system by the ministry of health," John Evans, chairman of the Ontario Health Review Panel, said in releasing Toward a Shared Direction for Health in Ontario.

"It would acknowledge that the health of Ontario's residents is influenced significantly by the broader social, economic and environmental policies and priorities of government as a whole."

The 76-page report concluded that while Ontario's residents enjoy a high standard of health and a good health care system, there exists pressures for change created by rising public expectations.

Examining three issues in the report, Evans said the panel did not recommend specific solutions as they were not part of Premier David Peterson's mandate to recommend a process to develop solutions.

The first two issues the panel dealt with included the need to strengthen the role of the individual in making choices about health care and the need for new funding approaches and organizational arrangements to encourage the use of outpatient and community-based health care programs.

Looking at the first issue, Evans said that while there are opportunities for the public to be a partner with health care providers, the panel could not agree on new financial measures to reinforce patient reponsibility.

He said the panel also looked at a variety of innovative funding approaches and organizational arrangements which require further examination. These include multispecialist group practice which would link primary and secondary care and comprehensive health service organizations which would allow existing health service organizations to expand by including hospital care with a full range of specialist services.

Other approaches outlined in the report call for multiservice centres which would provide health and social services in a single location and hospital-organized home care and extramural hospitals which would integrate home care services with hospital care.

To study such proposals further and to formulate new policy initiatives in the field of health care, the committee called for the immediate establishment of a Premier's Council on Health Strategy.

It would be responsible for establishing three to five year planning cycles to address long-term priorities and goals and annual planning cycles to develop goals and policy advice for the fiscal year.

The health review panel recommended that the Premier's Council be chaired by the premier of Ontario and be composed of 15 to 18 members from the community, health care providers and provincial cabinet ministers.

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Harvey Webber

Council chooses Webber

QUEBEC CITY — Sydney, NS, businessman Harvey Webber was elected president for Nova Scotia and became a member of the national executive of the Council for Canadian Unity at their annual meeting held here recently. Webber had served for years on the council's board for directors.

Since its inception in 1964, the council's goals have been to bring the two major language groups closer together, help find solutions to major national issues and cultivate a climate of mutual understanding.

A long-time member of the board of directors, Webber praised the council's achievements including sponsoring Canada Day celebrations and establishing the Terry Fox Centre. "Both have helped develop a greater sense of unity in Canadian society," he said.

Webber, who has been active in Canadian Jewish Congress and the Zionist movement for years, is a vice-president of Canadian ORT, a board member of the Canadian Friends of Ben-Gurion and Tel Aviv universities. He is an honorary fellow of the Hebrew University and is associated with the Technion and Weizmann institutes.

Webber was a past County Chairman, Cape Breton United Way, and currently chairs a "Leaders of the Way" Committee for its major donors group.

He is best known as founder of Atlantic Canada Plus, an organization established in 1977 to create employment via industrial development in the four Atlantic Provinces.

Although a graduate of Dalhousie Law School, Webber chose retailing as a career and is president of Smart Shop Ltd. of Sydney. In January, 1984, he was honored by the government of Nova Scotia for a lifetime of community service with the designation Queen's Counsel, an unusual mark of distinction for a non-practicing barrister.

Webber is chairman of General Mining Bldg. Ltd. and of Seveer Realty. He is also chairman Central Trust's Cape Breton Advisory Board.

He is married to the former Ethel Nadler of Montreal, and has two children, Marlene, of Toronto, and Lawrence David, of Halifax.

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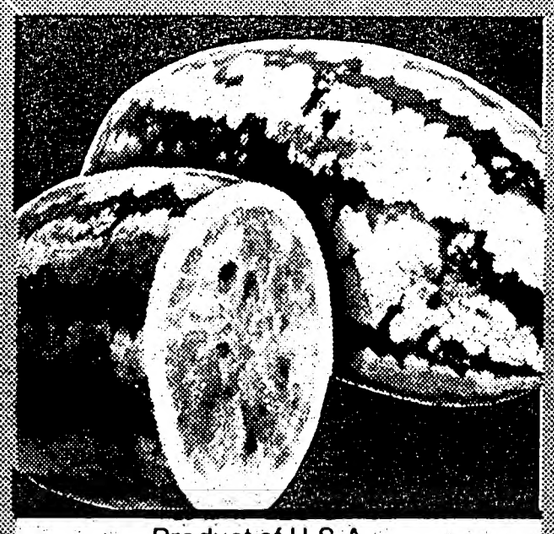

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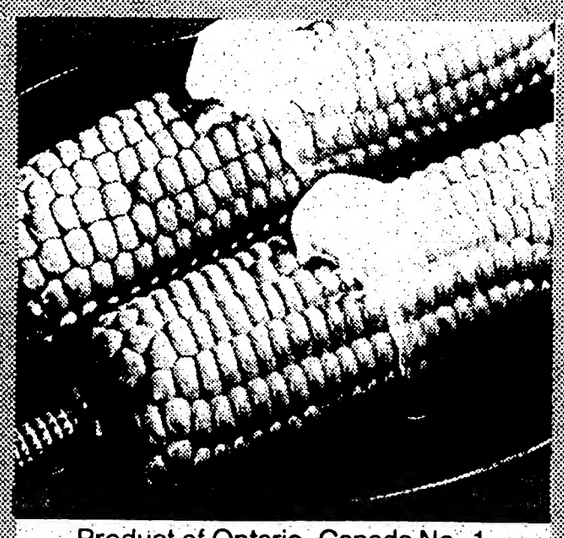

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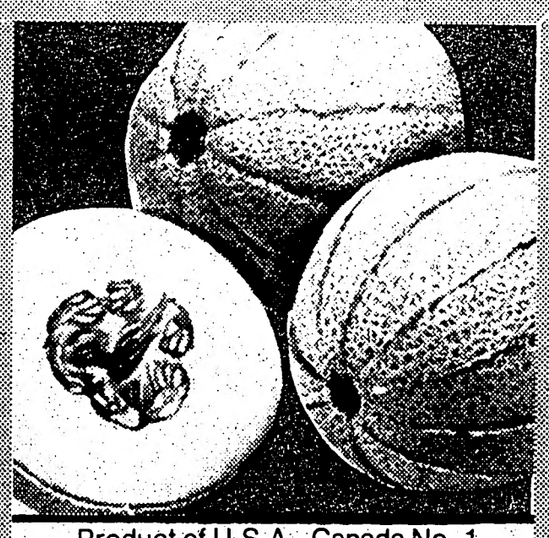

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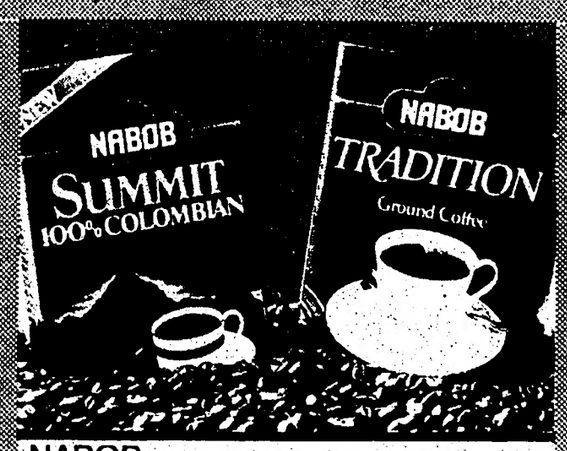

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